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Extract from a letter No.35, dated 13th June 1857, from the Resident at Hyderabad, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

Para.11. I propose to review the Troops at Secunderabad on Monday morning when I shall address the 7th Madras Cavalry on the part of Government, as I do not choose that such foul aspersions against their fidelity and loyalty should be placed on record and remain concealed from them and uncontradicted, I have not myself the slightest reason to doubt them, and I believe they have been merely named because they belong to the class of Arcot Mahomedans.

(True copy)

Sd. D. Hodson, Major.
A.A.A.Genl.H.S.Force.

Appendix

Hunmunt Rao, Treasurer.

On Wednesday at about two o'clock "Syed Mohideen" of Houssainee Beg's Troops came to me for 50 Rupees as usual, he said "In other places the Hindoos and Mussulmen are fighting with the English, and the English wish to destroy the caste of the others; if the City people are disposed to make Fussad and Hungamah, those who are in the service of the English are quite ready to join."

The people about remarked that it was said that the Commander-in-Chief with several Regiments had arrived at Delhi and had conquered the Hindoos and Mussulmen.

He replied that the English gave that out but that it was not so, moreover that the English Soldiers were not equal to th t, they were about as good as Arabs and no better.

He said that his name was Syed Mohedeen and that ~~Mohedeen and that~~ Mohomed Houssain &c. were outside, and that he belonged to Jemadar Hussainee Beg's Baradaree.

16th June 1857. Sd./ A.R. Thornhill.
1st Assistant Resident.

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<u>Moonshee "Abdool Khadir."</u>

The 3rd day after the Resident's visit two Troopers came for 50 Rupees present, and one said that the English by mixing the fat of pigs and cows with the cartridges are endeavouring to destroy the caste of the Hindoos and Mussulmen, on this account there has been a great fight in Hindoostan, and indeed on every side and here because we have no head (Wullee) we are helpless.

If any head should rise up your Khana is with us, and we should not be backward in joining you.

I asked him if he had heard that the Commander-in-Chief had gained a victory at Delhi--he replied "this is all wrong--the Soldiers are just like Arabs and nothing can

be accomplished by them."

I dont know their names perhaps I could recognise them. The man who spoke was between 30 and 40.

16th June 1856. Sd. A. Thornhill, 1st Assistant Resident.

At a Court of Inquiry held at Secunderabad on Wednesday the Seventeenth of June, One thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven, by order of Brigadier Isaac Campbell Coffin, Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, ti investigate a subject connected with the conduct of certain men of the Seventh Regiment of Light Cavalry when on the Resident's Escort at Chudderghaut.

President.

Major Hendry Pritchard, D.J.A. General, H.S.Force.

Members.

Major D. Hodson, Assistant Adjutant General, H.S. Force.

Captain C.C. Hook, 7th Regiment Light Cavalry.

Lieut. E.J. Berkelley, 7th Regt. Light Cavalry. Interpreter to the Court.

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The Court proceeds to record the evidence of persons sent by the Resident.

1st Witness. Hunumunt Rao, Treasurer to the Minister to the Nizam is called into Court and requested to reply to the following questions.

Qestion:- Has it been usual to send Sepoys in for the present generally made to the Resident's Escort when he visits the Minister.

Answer:- It is, any one of the party may come from the Jemadar to the Sepoy to receive it on the day following. The last was given on the 16th of Shaval (10th June 1857)-- The Resident came on Monday the 14th Shaval.

Q. How were the Sepoys dressed?

A. In their native dress.

Q. Do they usually come in that dress?

A. They do, I have seen them come in uniform.

Q. How many came on the 16th of Shaval?

A. My attendant reported that three or four Sepoys had come for the present, one Syed Mohedeen came to me and I gave him the order to the Shroff for Soogoor Rupees fifty--He was the only person I saw.

Q. Will you relate all that occurred at that time?

A. He came in, sat down, I asked him his name and who were with him, he said his name was Syed Mohedeen and that he was accompanied by Mahomed Houssain and others (wagira) I asked under whose orders they came they said by order of Jemadar Hussainee Beg, I then wrote the chit for the money and gave it to an attendant, at this time some of the other attendants present spoke among themselves that a Fakeer had been seized and confined and sent in irons to

the Resident, because he had said that the Hindoos and Mussulmen of Delhi had risen against the Government, saying that the Government were trying to injure their caste. Syed Mohedeen on hearing this said. "The English intend to injure the caste of the Hindoos and Mussulmen, therefore on this account in several parts of Hindoostan these disturbances are taking place. If the people here will shew the same intention (irrada) then the Hindoos and Mussulmen in the British Service will not be backward in joining ("Sherakut dene ke waste dureg nuheen Karenge.") He said this and got up, I said, and some of those near me, that the Commander-in-Chief we had heard had surrounded Delhi with fourteen European Regiments and had taken possession of it: Is it true or not? He said, "it is not the case but people are saying so, the European

Soldiers are only the same as the Arabs here"--He then went away--I heard Syed Mohedeen say all this and others also heard him.

Q. Who were present near you?

A. Abdool Khader Moonshee was a little in front of me sitting--two Mootsuddees were sitting in front engaged in writing, namely, NursingaRow and Appa Row, these two men have since told me they did not particularly notice what was said, as they were engaged in writing--There were the usual Moonshees and Mootsuddees on both sides and behind me; and people standing and sitting about between and in front--Syed Mohedeen was about two yards in front of me.

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Q. Who were the people who spoke about the Fakeer?

A. I cannot say who they were as I did not notice them; several spoke in conversation about it and other matters I have only related the parts of the conversation I remember.

Q. Have you since asked any of those about you if they heard or remembered what was said by Syed Mohedeen?

A. Yes Gholam Modeen and Gubbro Khan Moonshee, they say they do not distinctly recollect what was said.

Q. What distance were they from Syed Mohedeen?

A. A yard and a half or two yards about.

Q. When did you ask the three Moonshees and two Mootsuddees named about the conversation?

A. The day Captain Thornhill came, the day before yesterddy.

Q. Had you any converstion in the intermediate time with them on the subject?

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A. No I thought no more ofit till Captain Thornhill came and the minister asked me about it. The witness is asked to look at the 4 sepoys present and to point out which is Syed Mohedeen, he does so and says he cannot recognize him he then wore a large turband these men have four caps alike (that is stable caps) "I never saw him before he was only there from a quarter to half a ghurree--and I have never seen him since."

Q. Have any other Sepoys gone Since?

A. No they would only come if on business otherwise they would not get admittance.

Q. Who began the conversation about the Fakeer the Sepoy or others?

A. I cannot say who began it--I heard it amongst the people.

Q. Was the Fakeer sent to the Resident before the present was given to Syed Mohedeen or after?

A. I cannot say, I have nothing to do with such matters, I merely heard the converstion as I repeated it.

Q. Was the Hurkarah who introduced Syed Mohedeen standing near him when the conversation occurred?

A. Some one who I do not remember introduced him, but I cannot say whether he remained near him at the time, I think I can send you the name of the man when I go home.

Name sent is Mahomed Ismail Khidmutgar of the Siercar.

The witness retires.

2nd Witness:- Abdool Khadir Moonshee in the employ of the Minister is called into Court and examined.

Q. Do you remember the last time the usual present was given to the Resident's escort?

A. I do not recollect the date.

Q. Who came to get it?

A. Two Sepoys came.

Q. How were they dressed?

A. In the usual native dress with a large turband.

Q. Is that the dress they usually come in for the purpose?

A. I cannot say, it is the first time I have senn them come for it, I did not know they were in the habit of receiving it.

Q. Did you see the two men?

A. Yes they were sitting in the same room with us, they were about 3 or 4 yards from me.

Q. What did they receive?

A. I do not know, I have nothing to do with the Department.

Q. Whilst there what occurred?

A. Many people were sitting there talking about the disturbance in Hindoostan--One Sepoy said "the English are making Cartridges with cows and pigs fat in order to injure the religion of the Hindoos and Mussulmen, therefore the disturbance have occurred: here we are helpless because we have no Chief (Wullee) had we one we should join him "I said we have heard a Brigadier or some Officer of rank had gone against some place and gained a victory there--Is it the case? He replied "It is a lie; these Soldiers only fitht equal to your Arabs here"--After that I was engaged in writing and I do not know what became of them.

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Q. Did the other Sepoy present not speak?

A. No he did not.

Q. Would you recognize the men if you saw them?

A. I do not think so, I only spoke in a casual way, I did not pay particular attention to either of them, and I am not in the habit of seeing (Tulghat) people of the Carnatic.

Q. Was any thing else said by these men?

A. Nothing else.

Q. Who else joined in the conversation?

A. It was general, I cannot name any one, those about me were employed writing.

Q. About that time was there any thing said of a Fakeer having been sent to the Resident by the Minister.

A. No, nothing concerning the Fakeer was talked of there. I knew about the Fakeer as I heard he had been so sent, I do not recollect any conversation occurring about the Fakeer in the Cutcherry that day.

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Q. Were the two Sepoys sitting together?

A. I cant say; I did not take particular notice.

Q. How far were you sitting from Hunmunt Rao the Treasurer?

A. About three of four yards.

Q. Do you know the names of the Sepoys present?

A. No.

The witness is asked to look at the four men present and see if any of them are those he speaks of. He does so and says he cannot recognize either of them.

The witness retires.

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3rd Witness:- Jemadar Hussainee Beg, C. Troop 7th Regiment Light Cavalry is called into Court and examined.

Question. Did you command the Escort at the Residency from the 6th to the 13th instant?

Answer. Yes.

Q. Did you get permission to send for the usual present to the Minister?

A. When the Havildar went to report on the 9th in the morning, the Commanding Officer asked if the Escort had received any Pilao, the Havildar replied, we did not eat it, we always get money and when we do get it we will report it to you, I considered this sufficient permission to send for the present--I did not ask permission to send these particular men--When the money came I sent it by the Havildar to the Escort Officer, who said I might distribute it.

Q. Whom did you send for the present?

A. Naigue Syed Hussen and Privates Mahomed Houssain and Syed Mohedeen.

Q. What dress did they go in?

A. Their native dress. They went about 10 o'clock, the Peon came to me to send for it, when they brought the money the Peon who came from the City received twelve annas: the Residency Peon demanded five Rupees from the Havildar which he refused: he went away angrily, and said "I'll see about it" One Rupee was then given to him-- He made a great disturbance about it.

Q. How came there to be four men, if you only sent two.

A. It is a leave day on Wednesday: they went of their own accord, without leave and joined the two men I sent there; and/returned with them--I asked *them--

* Privates Shekh Booden & Syed Mustan.

why they had gone they said they went to see the City.

Q. Did you report their absence?

A. No, till Friday last the 12th instant there was no order for the men not to go into the City: therefore I had no report to make. That day I received an order to prevent it, both from the Escort Officer and the Regiment.

Q. Were any of the men of the Escort in the City on Friday last

A. They were not and could not have been without my knowing it. They were at stables till about 8 a.m. the men had then to get their breakfast and at 10 a.m. the men wereall present cleaning Accroutrements, Saddlery and Arms till 2 p.m. that 3 p.m. there was a watering Parade and at 5½ p.m. Stables, when all were present.

The witness retires.

The Court adjourns at ½ past 6 p.m. till further orders.

Thursday, 18th June 1857.

The Court having assembled at 2 p.m. all present as on the last day.

Private Mahomed Houssain, General No.520, A. Troop 7th Regiment Light Cavalry is called into Court and states.

I went with Syed Mohedeen to the Minister's palace we were asked at the door what we wanted, we said we had come for the usual present. A man went inside and returned and called us, we went in and sat down and said what we had come for--I looked to the upper apartments, as people said the Minister was passing and made a salaam; but I did not recognize him--We were there about five minutes, some men then said, "come your business is ready," and we went into another room to the Shroff to get the money. We received it immediately and were not delayed more than two minutes. I counted it and put it in my handkerchief--

I did not sign my name for it--I do not know whether Syed Mohedeen did so or not. We left the Palace then together and went to buy some slippers which we did not find, and then on to the Escort. On coming out from the Palace with the money we met at the outer gate or door Privates Syed Mustan and Shekh Booden, when we left the Escort they were at the barracks. I saw them there and they came with us and returned to the Escort also with us: we saw several parties of Infantry Sepoys of this Force in the City that day.

During the time we were in the Treasury and the Shroff's room, Syed Mohedeen did not speak of any subject but the money, had he spoken I must have heard him, for I was close to him all the time. I did not hear any conversation among those present about the disturbances in Hindoostan in any way.

Q. Did Naigue Syed Hussen go with you to the City?
A. He called to me, I was dressing and he went on, we overtook him and left him in the City on his way to the bazar; and when we went to the slipper bazar we met him there.

After considerable delay and hesitation and declaring he knew not why the Naigue went into the City, the prisoner admits he went to Shumsool Oomrahs for the portion of the present to come from him: and that the Naigue afterwards met them in the bazar as stated and said the money was to come next day and they all returned together to the Barracks. He left the Barracks at 10 a.m. and returned at 6½ p.m.

The prisoner says he became nervous, and did not reply freely as he has never been brought before Officers before. The Prisoner retires.

Private Syed Mohedeen B. Troop of 7th Regiment Light Cavalry is called into Court and states--I went with Mahomed Houssain for the present to the Minister's and we found Privates Shekh Booden and Syed Mustan at the Palace. I went in for the money and sat down while they wrote the chit, Mahomed Houssain was near the door with the other two Sepoys, about three yards from one, I was asked who was the Jemadar of the Escort and the Havildar, and what were our two names who came for the money; this was written. Whilst sitting there I heard the people of the Cutcherry say "these men belong to a Regiment that has come from Hindoostan"--No one addressed me and I made no observation--I only asked about the money, I can swear on my life that I entered into no conversation with them about any thing else. A Hurkarah then called me to come to the Shroff for the coin, and Mahomed

Houssain and I went in for it, the other two sepoys remained standing outside. Nothing occurred there but the payment of money and the taking our names. We got the money and all four went away together over the new bridge to the Barracks and arrived about six o'clock, Mahomed Houssain made purchase of a carpet and could not succeed in getting shoes.

Q. Did Naigue Syed Houssain go to the city with you?
A. He went in front of us with a Chuprassy to Shumsool Oomrah's for the present, but did not accompany us; he met us again when we were looking for slippers and stayed behind in the bazar to buy things.

This man's manner has struck the Court throughout as most straightforward and open, and even when told the

speech that was said to have been made by him, his manner pourtrayed innocence and truth. He merely said "Oh! God! why accuse me of such a thing!" Throughout there was no hesitation whatever in answering.

The Court asked the man if he had any reason to be discontented in any way with the service, he declares he has never had any whatever and that he is quite happy and contented.

The Prisoner retires.

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Private Syed Mustan No.187 F. Troop, 7th Light Cavalry states--I left the Barracks a little after Mahomed Houssain and Syed Mohedeen and on the road we joined, and went to the Minister's--we made a salaam to the Minister as he passed above us--we were told to wait till twelve O'clock, Mahomed Houssain and Syed Mohedeen went and talked to an Arab at a distance and I remained near the sentry, I saw the Treasurer go in and went to call them. Shekh Booden came up at this time, Syed Mohedeen went inside the Treasury, and we three went to the door-about a quarter of an hour after Syed Mohedeen and a Hurkarrah came out with a chit, for the money, and we all went to the Sharoff's and he went inside: we three remained outside and when the coin was paid we returned home by the Char Minar and new bridge. I was too far to hear any conversation

from the inside; they were talking around Syed Mohedeen and he was speaking--When the chit for the money was ready he got up and came out with the Hurkarrah--I did not observe him talking when he got up. Whilst sitting there several of the City people asked us what was the news of the row at Delhi. We said we knew nothing of it they said "we hear that two or three of your Regiments in Cantonment have revolted," we said we knew nothing about it, as we were on Escort duty.

On our road home in the bazar we met Naigue Syed Houssain buying things, and left him in the Bazar. Many parties of Sepoys were in the City that day I did not hear

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any thing wrong said, I myself suspect because people know we went in for a present, they want to fix blame on us.

The Court observed that this man gave his evidence very openly and freely as if he spoke the truth.

The Prisoner retires.

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No.32. Page. 1840.

Order No. 2187 dated 3rd July 1857.

The Governor in Council observes with much satisfaction the entire absence of all proof of the imputation cast upon certain men of the 7th Light Cavalry--and he desires that the Regiment may be assured that Government entertain perfect confidence in their loyalty.

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No.33. Page.1841. Military Consultation of 7-7-1857,

Read the following letter, from Lieutenant Colonel W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 24th June 1857, No. 668; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

With reference to para 40 Section XI page 74 Medical Code, I have the honor, by order of the Commander of the Forces, to request you will be good enough to bring under the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the unnecessary correspondence which is occasioned by following the prescribed course in order to obtain a Committee for examining Candidates at out Stations for the situation of Native Medical Pupil as laid down in para 5 of the Notification published in the Fort Saint George Gazette at page 1186 of 1855.

Under the above system, on Candidates coming forward for examination, applications are made by Medical Officers to the Medical College Council and by that body to the Adjutant General when instructions are issued to Officers Commanding Divisions and Forces for the assembly of Committees--The Proceedings of the Committee are then returned to the Adjutant General and by him transferred to the Medical College Council.

Major General Beresford is of opinion that it would be far more simple and lessen correspondence were Committees at once assembled by Officers Commanding Divisions and Forces on applications made by Superintending Surgeons, the required Descriptive Roll being forwarded by the latter to the Medical College Council.

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~~Major-General-Beresford-is-of-opinion-that-it-would be-far-more-simple-and-lessen-correspondence~~

Should Government concur in this opinion, I am instructed to solicit that authority be granted for para 40 Section XI page 74 Medical Code being modified as follows.

"Candidates for the situation of Native Medical Pupil will be required to undergo an examination by the College Council, and at out stations, before a Board of Medical Officers to be assembled by Officers Commanding Divisions and Forces on applications made by Superintending Surgeons, the required Descriptive Roll being forwarded by the latter to the Medical College Council--They are to be of such castes as would be eligible for the ranks of

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Native Corps, and not to be under 15 or above 19 years of age and must be physically fit for the service."

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No.34. Page.1841. Military Consultation of 7-7-1857.

Order No. 2188 dated 3rd July 1857.

Sanctioned, as proposed.

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No.35. Military Consultation of 7-7-1857. Page. 1841.

Read the following letter, from Lieutenant Colonel W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 29th June 1857, No. 687; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

Requesting that the Officers serving with the Detachment under his command may be allowed Company Command Allowance as sanctioned to the Officers of the 29th and 38th Regiments N.I.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding Detachment, 12th Regiment, N.I., in China, and am directed to express Major General Beresford's recommendation that the provisions of Minutes of Consultation dated 17th March last No.865 may be extended to the Officers of the 12th Regiment N.I., serving with the above detachment.

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From ~~the~~ Major M.B. Cooper, Commanding Detachment 12th Regiment, N.I. Victoria, Hong Kong, 23rd May 1857, No. 21; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort St. George.

Sir,

Certain officers of the 29th and 38th Regiments who came on here from the Straits having been allowed under Minites of Consultation of the 17tg March last to draw Compensation for loss of Company Command Allowance I Have the honor to request you will urge His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to solicit Government to grant a similar indulgence to the Officers of the Detachment under my Command.

Lieutenants Powles and Sewell were both drawing Company Command Allowance at Madras but both lost it by being ordered to China with this Detachment.

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No.26. 122- Page. 1944. Military Consultation 14-7-1857

Native Corps--Instructions proposed for issue to required to embark for Calcutta, approved.....

Order

Brom the Adjutant General of the Army, 11th July 1857, No.735; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Adverting to the probability of Madras Troops being employed in the Bengal Presidency, I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to request that you willbe good enough to represent to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that it is of great importance that the Military Authorities should be fully acquainted with the terms as regard Pay, &c. upon which Corps would be required to proceed; and acting upon the supposition that they would be sent to Calcutta by sea, and that the service would therefore be considered

as "Service beyond sea." I am instructed to submit for approval, a draft letter of instructions, intimating that until return to the Madras Presidency the Troops will be entitled to exactly the same advantages as regards Pay, Batta, Rations, Bounty Clothing, Pensions to Heirs &c., as if employed in Burmah or any other place to which a sea conveyance is necessary.

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123. Page. 1948. Military Consultation of 14-7-1857.

Order No.2310 dated 14th July 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the draft letter of instructions proposed for issue to Native Corps in the event of their being required to embark for Calcutta-- and sanctions the several arrangements proposed in the Adjutant General's letter.

2. It may be left optional with Regiments to employ Puckallies or Bheesties as they may fine most convenient.

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Rohillas.

Correspendence regarding arrangements made for the pursuit of,--who have entered the Ceded Districts, communicated to Judicial Department.... . ..
A report of their departure recorded.

No.11. Page No. 1958. Military Consultation of 21st July 1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 13th July 1857, No. 259; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by desire, of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief to forward for

Letter from Deputy Assistant Qr. Mr. General, Ceded Districts, to Captain Nickle, Commanding Detachment 30th at Cumbum No.445, dated 6th July 1857.

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submission to Government, copies of correspondence as per margin, regarding arrangements made by the Officer

Commanding Ceded Districts for the pursuit of the Rohillas, who are stated to have entered the Districts in 3 parties.

I am desired to add that the party intended for the re-occupation of Cumbum, arrived there on the 1st July 1857-

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From the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Ceded Districts, Bellary, 6th July 1857, No.445, to the Officer Commanding Detachment 30th Regiment Native Infantry, Cumbum.

I have the honor, by order of the Major General Commanding the Division, to inform you that he has appointed you to command, until further orders, the parties now in pursuit of bands of Rohillas in the Cuddapah and Kurnool Districts.

You will be so good as to communicate with Captain White of the 30th Regiment now in the Field near Nundy Canamah and co-operate with him in endeavouring to come up with the several parties of Rohillas said to have entered the Company's Territories.

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Captain Russell Commissioner of Kurnool reports to-day as follows:

"Some Sowars and eighty men thirtieth N.I. are after one band of Rohillas in the Hills "between this and Cumbum, another band has made its appearance some thirty miles more "South towards Cuddapah, and it is said a third band crossed the Kistnah into Company's "Territories a few days ago."

Captain Russell will probably communicate with you shortly.

On your receiving intelligence from Captain White, to whom you will promptly notify these instructions, you will be good enough to move out with a portion of your Detachment, in any direction whence you may be able to act against these Marauders in concert, if possible,

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The Officer Commanding at Ghooty has instructions to comply at once with any requisitions for aid that may be made by you from his post, and a Detachment of a Company from Kurnool will also proceed to join you, should the Commissioner there consider their services necessary.

Should you leave Cumbum you will be good enough to detail a party of 30 men under a Native Officer, or a guard of such strength as you may deem sufficient for the protection of the place in your absence.

You will be good enough to report for the Major General's information through this Department, every movement of the Detachments under your command, as well as the results of the operations you undertake.

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Extract of a letter from the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Ceded Districts, to Captain Nicle, Commanding Detachment 30th Regiment N.I. dated Bellary, 6th July 1857, No. 445.

"The Officer Commanding at Ghooty has instructions to comply at once with any requisitions for aid that may be made by you from his post."

For the information and guidance of the Officer Commanding Ghooty.

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From the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General, Ceded Districts, Bellary, 6th July 1857, No.444; to the Officer Commanding 49th Regiment N.I.,Kurnool.

I have the honor, by order of the Major General Commanding the Division, to state that he has appointed Captain Nickle of the 30th Regiment Native Infantry, Commanding the Detachment at Cumbum to direct the operations of the parties now in pursuit of certain bands of Rohillas in the Kurnool and Cuddapah Districts.

Should Captain Russell require further Military aid, I am instructed to request you to detach a Company from the 49th Regiment in the direction of Nundial or to any place indicated by the Commissioner of Kurnool, under the command of a European Officer, who will report himself as soon as possible to Captain Nicle, who will be

found in communication with Capta n White, 30th Regiment Native Infantry--This Officer by the last report was in the vicinity of Nundy Canamah.

No.12.

Order No. 2320 dated 15th July 1857.

Communicated to the Judicial Department.

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No.224. Page.2033. Military Consultation of 21-7-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 18th July 1857, No. 271; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief to report, for the information of Government, that the Officer Commanding Ceded Districts states, that it has just been notified to him, that the Cuddapah and Kurnool Districts are now undistu rbed by the presence of Rohillas, and that the Companies of the Corps on Field service, will probably shortly rejoin Regimental Head Quarters--This does not, of course, include the Company ordered to re-occupy Cumbum.

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No. 225.

Order No. 2426 dated 21st July 1857.

<u>Recorded</u>.

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Troops.

Madras,--proceeding to Bengal to be fully equipped for Field Service.... ... ...

Page. 2069. No. 112. Military Consultation of 28-7-1857.

From Secy. to Govt. of India, dated 20th July 1857,No.819.
Recorded Dy. to Cons. 25th July 1857 (vide Cons.28th July 1857, Nos. 61 & 62)
Read again the paper noted in the margin.

Extract, No. 3166, dated 28th July 1857.

Ordered that the Troops proceeding to Bengal be fully equipped for Field Service--taking with them Horses and Cattle, Ordanance, Ammunition and Camp Equipage.

All ranks will be entitled to the same allowances in every particular as regulated for the Troops in Pegu.

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27th Native Infantry--Detail of the--allowed an advance for the provision of necessaries lost by the upsetting of a boat on the Corps embarking for Calcutta... ... ...

No. 125. Page No. 2272. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 14th August 1857, No. 935; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to request you will be good enough to bring to the notice of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that a detail* of the 27th Regiment Native Infantry having

*20 Subadars. 10 Privates.

≠ 2 Ruppes to each Subadar	40
and Rs.10 to each Private	100
Total Rupees.	140-

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sustained considerable loss by the upsetting of a boat on the occasion of the recent embarkation of that Corps for Calcutta, an advance as per margin ≠ was drawn by this Department to enable them partially to refit themselves.

Major General Beresford recommends that the advance in question be allowed to remain unadjusted, pending the receipt from the Regiment of the requisite papers, exhibiting the loss sustained by each man or should Government see fit that the amount be considered in the light of a gratuity from the State.

With reference also to the accompanying copy of a letter from the Collector of Sea Customs with its enclosures,

to the address of the Town Major Fort Saint George, transferred to this Department, I am further directed to recommend that the advance made by the Collector on account of Palanqueen and Cart hire for these men be re-paied by Government; the parties although bruised and wetted by the upsetting of the boat, having since embarked for Calcutta.

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Arms:
Godavery, | Divisions of the Public Works Department--
Kistnah, | The arming of the Europeans and East Indians
attached to the--approved... ... ...

No. 21 Page. No.2182. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857.

Read the following letter, from Colonel C.E. Faber, Chief Engineer, 31st July 1857; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

In forwarding for submission to Government, the accompanying confidential letter

Encl.1, Original letter attached.

in orginal, from the District Engineer Godavery, I have the honor at the same time to report, that I have been in communication with the Inspector General of Ordinance, and that ~~any~~ at my solicitation, that Officer has promptly authorized the issue from the Masulipatam Arsenal, of arms, and ammunition, for arming the Europeans, and East Indian

members of the D.P.W. in the Godavery, and Kistnah Divisions the same to be supplied on the requisition which may be preferred by the District Engineers of these Districts, receipts to be taken from the Engineer in charge of each District, so that every precaution against loss or wanton injury to Government arms, I trust has been taken.

2. The Inspector General has authorized the issue per man of a Fuzil, or if Fusils are not available, those of Muskets, a waist belt and Pouch, with bayonet, and if necessary also a Pouch Belt together, with 60 rounds of ammunition.

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3. I trust Government will be pleased to accord their approval of the measures thus taken and promptly seconded by the Inspector General of Ordinance, for giving the Subordinates of the D.P.W. the means of self defence, as well as forming a body of armed men, who might prove of valuable service, for the defence of any Government works, which might be placed in jeopardy.

From Captain F.H. Rundall, District Engineer, G.D.
Dowlaishweram, 24th July 1857; to the Chief Engineer,
D.P.W. Fort Saint George.

Sir,

In the present unsettled state of affairs in India, would it not be well to take the precaution of supplying all the Officers and Overseers D.P.W. (Europeans and East Indians) with the means of self defence? If you think my suggestion of any importance I have the honor to request you would obtain for me the necessary authority to call upon the Commissary of Ordinance either at Masulipatam or Vizagapatam for a Sapper carbine and 40 Rounds of ammunition for each individual under my orders. I would arrange that they should be distributed without giving the Natives any cause for suspicion or alarm, as

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the weapons might be sent to the Officer Commanding Sappers and Miners and each individual might come to Dowlaishweram singly and receive his weapon without almost any one being aware of the same. The strength of the Department amounts to nearly 50 persons and would prove no contemptible addition to any force which it might be requisite to raise for defensive measures.

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No.22. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857. Page No.2182.

Order No. 2655 dated 6th August 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the measure reported in the foregoing communication.

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Pensioners enrolled for service at various stations to be allowed... ... ...

No.92. Page No. 2304. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 24th August 1857, No. 332; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by desire of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to request that the sanction of Government may be obtained for Barrack Articles and attendants being allowed for the European Pensioners enrolled for service at the Mount, their arms and accoutrements are lodged in the North Artillery Barracks, and several of them remain there altogether, especially those detailed for duty.

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No, 93. Page. No. 2304. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Order No, 2862 dated 25th August 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the supply of Barrack Articles and Attendants to the European Pensioners enrolled for service at the Mount and at other Stations.

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Courts Martial.

Abdul Rahim, alias Khool Khal Shah, Camp follower.

No. 1. Page. No.2239. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 1st August 1857; No.854; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying (a) Proceedings of a Native General Court Martial on the trial of Abdul Rahim, alias Khool Khal Shah, Camp follower of Secunderabad, and to state that Major General Beresford will defer publishing the Proceedings pending receipt of a reply from the Government of India to the reference*which has been made on thesubject

*Extract from Minutes of Consultation, dated 23rd July 1857, No.2435(b)

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Invalid Detachment at--The services of such as may volunteer their services to be placed at the disposal of the Collector.

No.175. Page No. 2227. Military Consultation 11-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 10th August 1857, No. 901; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With advertence to Minutes of Consultation in the Judicial Department, dated 4th instant, No. 954, referred for the observations of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief on the 6th idem, I have the honor by order of Major General Beresford to

Referring for observations, Minutes of Consultation in the Judicial Department, submitting for consideration the inquiry of the Acting Magistrate of Guntoor, whether he would be at liberty to accept the services of any able men of the Invalid Detachment stationed there, should they on any emergency volunteer for special service.

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to state for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that there is no objection to men of the Detachment at Guntoor who may volunteer for special service and are fit for the duty being placed temporarily at the Acting Magistrate's disposal.

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Residency--The defeat of a party of Rohillas who attacked the--reported, recorded... ... ...

No.163. Page No. 2148. Military Consultation of 4th Aigist 1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 28th July 1857, No.826; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial

Commander-in-

Chief, to forward

*Dated 21st July 1857, No.117 Forwarding a report from Major Brice, Commanding Hyderabad Detachment, relative to the night attack at the Residency by Rohillas on the 17th instant.

Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter* from the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

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From the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad, 21st July 1857, No.117; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have waited in expectation of some information from the Resident touching the attack on the Residency on the evening of the 17th instant, but, not having received, I will no longer delay reporting the circumstances connected therewith for the information of the Commander-in-Chief.

Between 1 and 2 P.M. on that day, the Resident intimated to me that a disturbance was apprehended in the City on account of the Bolaruin Prisoners and to be prepared in Camp; and all were immediately warned.

Between 4 and 5 p.m. the Resident informed me that things were quieter; but, in the evening about 6½ the

Superintendent of the Electric Telegraph galloped up to my house, with copy of a communication from the Signaller at the Residency Office evidently shewing that the Residency had been attacked; and shortly after, I receivd a note from the Resident, saying he had just got intelligence that a party from the City was on its way to attack the Residency;--I immediately directed 100 men from the European Regiment to be sent to the Residency, also 2 Squadrons of Cavalry with the remaining half Troop of Horse Artillery, the other half Troop being at the Residency.

I had the Force under Arms, in case the Enemy might attack the Cantonment.

The reinforcements sent to the Residency kept all quiet there;- the party which attacked having been beaten off before the arrival of assistance,--but I have not been furnished with any particulars of that attack.

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I beg to forward for General Beresford's information a report received yesterday from Major Brickon Commands the Troops from this Force now at the Residency consisting of

F. Troop Horse Artillery
One Troop 7th Light Cavalry
100 Men with Officers 3rd European Regiment
The usual Escort of Native Infantry.

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From the Officer Commanding Detachment of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, 20th July 1857; to the Assistant Adjutant General, Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, that in obedience to instructions I proceeded at a rapid pace to the relief of the Residency on the night of the 17th instant with the F. Troop Horse Artillery, 2 Squardons of the 7th Cavalry and a Company of the 3rd Europeans, and reached the Residency at 8 o'clock p.m. The Europeans with a Troop of Cavalry followed.

II. On my arrival I found that the progress of the Rebels was stayed by the celerity with which the half Troop Horse Artillery on duty at the Residency under the Command of Captain Holmes, were turned out (7 minutes from the time the order was given). On the approach of a

party of some 5 or 600, and by some estimated at a larger number of Rohillas. The Horse Artillery opened a fire of Canister, double shotted, which did great execution, killing and wounding a great number; I believe the Rohillas acknowledge to some twenty killed and wounded-- this with the 6 bodies of another caste I saw lying on the ground would be a total of 26, but I believe the loss to have been much more.

III. In obedience to orders, I reported myself to the Resident who directed me to apply for instructions to Major Briggs Military Secretary and my Senior Officer-- In concert with Major Briggs it was determined to send out a Picquet of the 7th Cavalry to the Bridge leading to Sooranuggar, with orders to patrol over the Bridge and as far as the City Gate; Half of a Troop of Horse Artillery was drawn up so as to sweep the road leading

to the Begum Bazaar; and the other half Troop to sweep the road leading to the Bridge above referred to--At the back of the Residency, 2 Guns of the Hyderabad Contingent were in position; Escorts of Cavalry being attached to all the Guns.

IV. The Enemy finding the fire of Canister so destructive fled into a house on the side of the road, from which owing to the darkness of the night it was impossible to dislodge them without storming the place, which no doubt would have caused great loss of life, and which under the circumstances of the case, we did not consider ourselves warranted in doing--It was accordingly determined that a party of Europeans should be placed opposite to the building

and another party in Mahomed Azam Ally Khan's house, next to where the Enemy were located, so as to prevent their making further progress up the road which they were attempting, by making holes through walls and moving from house to house with a view of firing upon the Guns at the Residency gate.

V. It was our intention the following morning to have opened a fire upon the building under cover of the 3rd Europeans and Rifles (attached to the Residency Escort) while the roads were flanked by Artillery, the retreat of the Rohillas being cut off by a party of Arabs belonging to the Nizam's Government, the Jemadar of Arabs at a conference we had with him at 2 o'clock in the morning, having promised to make the necessary arrangements--

At ½ past 3 in the morning, as soon as the Moon rose, Major Briggs and myself proceeded to make arrangements for placing the Guns so that we might commence operations as soon as it was light, but whilst so employed, we received intelligence of the Enemy having absconded through the back of the house which should have been prevented by the Arabs.

VI. The party was headed by a well known turbulent character Turah Bag Khan, a Jemadar of Rohillas and a Moulvie. The Rebels are supposed to have fled towards Kurnool, the Minister's Troops are in pursuit and have apprehended at Secunderabad, some foruteen of the Enemy and the Jemadar's wife.

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VII. It is now my pleasing duty to state that the zeal shewn by Captain Holmes, and the men of my Troop in the performance of their duties has merited my entire approbation and I do not hesitate to say that the check of the Rebels was entirely to be attributed to the celerity with which the Guns were brought to bear upon them.

VIII. The services of the Horse Artillery have been handsomely acknowledged by the Resident, and as a mark of his approbation, and to reward those who justly merited it, Jemadar Mahomed Oomar was yesterday promoted to the rank of Subadar, and the daring intrepidity of Serjeant Lynch in going to ascertain the strength and position of the Enemy, has been brought to the notice of Government.

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IXI In conclusion, I would beg to notice that the Cavalry under Captain Hook and the 3rd Europeans under Captain Dysard, gave me entire satisfaction; they were alert and performed their duties with cheerfulness, the Europeans having been under Arms all night, and the Horse Artillery and Cavalry in their Saddles for twelve hours.

P.S. Since writing the anove I have been informed that Turah Beg Khan, the leader of the Rohillias was apprehended at 12'O' clock last night year Yenkatapore.

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No. 169. Page No. 2149. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

Order No. 2607, 3rd August 1857.

Recorded.

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Moveable Column--Measures adopted by the Officer Commanding the,--to meet any outbreak at this station, Communicated to the Revenue Department... ... ...

No.67. Page No. 2300. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 20th August 1857, No. 321; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by order, to forward to Government, the annexed copies of letters No.s 27 and 28, dated13th and 14th instant, received from Brigadier Whitlock, Commanding Moveable Column, and to state that the Provincial Commander-in-Chief approves of the proposed measures detailed in the letter of the 13th, and has directed the Brigadier to have them carried out at once.

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From Brigadier G. Whitlock, Commanding Moveable Column, Camp near Kurnool, 13th August 1857, No.27; to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, that I have been in constant communication since my arrival here, with the Agent to Government.

2. Captain Russell expressed a wish that the force should for some time be located at this Station, I have so far concurred in this view, by moving the Troops daily some two or three miles, still keeping them within easy distance of Kurnool, should their services be required.

3. If encamped too close to Kurnool, intercourse with the inhabitants, would have been the result, conversations with the towns' people misrepresented, and had feelings

engendered; it is my intention therefore to avoid as much as possible every unnecessary communication with the town.

4. I have lost no time in making myself acquainted with the ground in the neighbourhood, enabling me thereby to arrange as may be necessary in case of outbreak.

5. To attempt to defend the Treasury or Magazine as now situated, would only tend to the destruction of the Force sent for their protection, the two Buildings being in the midst of Houses and shelter for Matchlock men. I am therefore about to suggest to the authorities here, the removal into a Building within the Cantonment of Treasure and Ammunition during at least the Mohorum.

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8. I beg to report the arrival of the Officers as per Margin in camp.

Engineer's--Captain G.C.Collier-2nd Liet.
2nd Liet.F.A. Howes.
Dy.Asst.Commissary General-
Liet.F.A. Barrow.

9. It will be very gratifyin to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief to learn the continued excellent health of the Force.

From Brigadier G. Whitlock, Commanding Moveable Column, Camp near Kurnool,14th August 1857, No.28; to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, that in communicating with the Collector of Cuddapah, Mr. Murray, has expressed his wish that the Squardon of the third Cavalry shoud be permitted to remain there, until after the festival of the Mohorum, to which I have acceded.

I would beg also to notice, that I recommended to the General Officer of the Ceded Districts, that the Detachment of Highlanders about to join the Column, should be sent out Bandies some thirty miles from Bellary, having arranged with Captain Russell that carriage in should be sent the same distance to meet the men and Officers from this place.

I hope therefore on the 16th to see their arrival in

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No. 68. Page No. 2301. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Order No. 2851, dated 24th August 1857.

Communicated to the Revenue Department.

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Moveable Column.

Commissariat arrangements made for the--approved.

No.220. Page No. 2166. dated 4-8-1857.

From the Commissary General, 3rd August 1857, No.122; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to request you will be good enough to submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that I have, in anticipation of His Lordship's sancion, directed Deputy Commissary General Lieutenant Colonel Hill to remain at Bangalore, where he has lately been on privilege leave, and to Superintend all the arrangements which may be required to be made for the Commissariat and Bazaars with Brigadier Whitlock's Moveable Column, or any other Detachments which it may be found necessary to send into the Field.

2. I have also directed an Officer of this Department with an efficient Establishment to be attached to the column, to attend to its Commissariat wants under the orders of the Brigadier Commanding.

3. I trust these arrangements will meet with the approval of His Lordship in Council.

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Kamptee--The departure of a--from this station towards Jubbulpore reported--recorded... ... ...

No.172- Page No. 2150. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From the Officer Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 17th July 1857, No. 169; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

With reference to the accompanying copies of correspondence on a requisition for a Column from Kamptee being sent in the direction of Jubbulpore, I have the honor to report the departure of a Field Force this day from Kamptee under the Command of Colonel Millar, strength as given in the enclosed present state.

2. There was no experienced Officer available in Colonel Millar's Regiment to act as Staff to the Force, so I appointed Major Jenkins the Assistant Quarter Master

General here to accompany the Force, acting as its Staff Officer and also conducting many important duties of his own Department by establishing an efficient intelligence Department with our outposts and the disturbed parts which at present is very defective, keeping our communication open and affording me and the Commissioner authentic information from every direction--In fact I consider him under present circumstances more useful in advance than stationary. His Office~~/~~ duties at Division Head Quarters, the Assistant Adjutant General will carry on for him.

3. The Artillery arrangements have been made to suit existing circumstances.

4. As we could not afford to send a Detachment of Artillery wholly composed of Europeans it was arranged that a portion of the Nagpore Horse Field Battery should go with a detail of our European Foot Artillery on the Limbers and Waggons--the Native Artillery being used as Drivers--by this we have an efficient half Horse Battery and though the Native Artillery are all Bengalees they could not under these arrangements be formidable should they attempt mutiny.

5. They could not use the Guns for fear of the Europeans--and if they attempted to get off with the Horses only, could be cut up immediately by the Cavalry Suadron.

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6. I have supplied the Horse Battery with 6 Pounder Guns and a 12 Pounder Howitzer as being a lighter equipment for this season of the year and the country they travel over.

7. The Rifle Company of the 1st Nagpore Irregular Regiment, has several Madras transferred men in it, and has shewn an excellent spirit hitherto, and is commanded by Lieutenant and Adjutant Pereira of that Regiment-- A further detail of Rifles will join from Bundara en route.

8. Much has been done to strengthen our positions and Forces at Kamptee and Seetabuldee.

9. At Kamptee I have raised a Corps of 500 Sebundies, composed of young men, not quite the standard height for Infantry generally, but stout and serviceable, all Madrasees,

and mostly related to our own Sepoys--200 of these men already take minor duties armed with flint Muskets, and the whole are being drilled--The measure has further greatly pleased our Sepoys as it circulates money among their relatives who are unprovided for--The Barracks of the European Regiment and Horse Artillery are being fortfied, and supplies for the whole of the fighting men laid in for two months,,100 extra peons have also been entertained and 25 mounted ones extra, acting as Videttes around the Cantonment at the ghauts, roads and villages--These measures have been fully approved of by the Commissioner and the Governor General.

10. At Seetabuldee, the Fort has been put into repair, extra Ordinance mounted, tiled Buildings erected for Officers

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and men's quarters--the ditches deepened, glacis cleared, the walls raised, and the whole put in an efficient state.

11. Two months' supply of rations for 200 Europeans are stowed away on/ the upper Fort--a couple of large Reservoirs for water built, and a small Tank is being made close to one face of the Fort.

12. The Arsenal is being further fortified, bastions being made at its 4 angles for mounting a 9 Pounder as a pivot Gun, sweeping all the approaches.

13. Much of the Treasure has been conveyed to the upper Fort.

14. The population of the city of Nagpore and Bazars of Kamptee have been disarmed while the Europeans

and respectable Indo Briton community have been furnished with Arms.

15. There are about forty city people in confinement under suspicion of being implicated in the recent revolt--they have procured good evidence there, against one of the most influential Mussulmen of the city--the Nawab as he is termed, and he is in confinement.

16. The Ghond Rajah is also in confinement, both he and the Trooper whose sentence of death was commuted have made disclosures.

17. Yesterday a Mounted policeman was hanged on the Upper Hill--he appears to have been one of the most active and daring of the conspirators.

18. Nothing could have been better than the spirit shewn by our men of all ranks since the disturbance commenced.

19. The Commissioner of the Province has put the whole of the Kamptee Force on full Batta from the 13th ultimo.

From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 14th July 1857, No.27-A; to the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee.

With reference to our conference this morning, consequent on the telegraph message received yesterday afternoon from Calcutta, to the effect that the Governor-General was strongly of opinion that a Moveable Column ought to be formed at Kamptee as strong as might be possible without stripping that Cantonment, I have the honor to

request that you will be good enough to form a Column, composed of all arms, of the strength agreed upon at the conference, for service in the Saugor and Nerbuddah Territories, under the orders of the Commissioner Major Erskine. The column should move immediately on Seonee and there await Major Erskine's ~~situation~~ instructions.

2. In addition to half the Irregular Horse Field Battery (3 Guns) under the Command of Lieutenant Playfair, placed at your disposal, the Rifle Company of the 1st Irregular Infantry mustering 75 Rifles, under Lieutenant And Adjutant Pereira of that Regiment, has been ordered to accompany the Column, and you are authorised to raise and

equip a Corps of Beldars of suitable strength, if you are of opinion that such a Corps would be of service in the absence of Sappers and Miners.

3. I shall be obliged to you to furnish me, as soon as may be convenient, with a statement shewing the exact composition and strength of the Column for transmission to the Government of India.

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From the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 15th July 1857, No.166; to the Commissioner of Nagpore.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 27-A, dated 14th instant, conveying your official requisition for a force of all arms being moved from Cantonment and intimating that the Governor General was strongly of opinion that a Column should be detached from Kamptee as strong as possible without stripping the Cantonment.

2. Being given clearly to understand that you entertain no further apprehensions of insurrection at Nagpore, in consequence of the measures that have been adopted to crush attempted revolt and to anticipate its recurrence--that you feel confident of the peace of the province being secure so long as the Capital is quiet--and that the only source of uneasiness would be the remote

contingency of a rise in the Hyderabad Country: I am prepared to despatch in any direction you may indicate, a force of the 3 arms combined as arranged between us.

It will be obvious to/ you that in withdrawing a body of Troops from Kamptee, some risk must be incurred and that it rests with yourself to determine whether the advantages anticipated from this forward movement are likely to compensate for the decrease in efficiency and security of our force at Kamptee.

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From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 16th July 1857, No.31; to the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 166, of yesterday's date, and in reply think it sufficient to state, that I entirely accept the responsibili of the formation of the Moveable Column, for service in the Saugor and Nerbuddah Territories as arranged between us at our conference on the morning of the 14th instant.

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.... The entertainment of a Company of Bildars for service with the-- Sanctioned... ... ...

No.9 Page. No.2178. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 30th July 1857, No. 291, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by desire o the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to annex copy of a letter, from the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, and its enclosure, for submission to Government, and to recommend that as suggested, the party of Bildars be attached as a temporary measure, to the Department of the Assistant Quarter Master General Nagpore Force.

From the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 17th July 1857, No. 84; to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

I do myself the honor to inform you, that it appearing to me to be essentially necessary, that the Moveable Column about to proceed hence towards Seonee, should be accompanied by a party of Bildars for the purpose of clearing the road, throwing up Field works if necessary, and performing the other duties of Pioneers, I laid the subject before Mr. Plowden the Commissioner of the Nagpore Territories.

I have the honor to forward Mr. Plowden's reply, and to request, that you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government, to the Bildars being attached as a temporary measure, to the Department of Assistant Quarter Master General Nagpore Force.

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Memo from the Commissioner Nagpore Force, Seetabuldee, 15th July 1857; to the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee.

In reply to Brigadier Prior's memorandum No.82 of this date, the undersigned has the honor entirely to concur in the entertainment of a Company of Bildars of the following strength, for service with the Nagpore Moveable Column.

	Rs.	As.	Ps.		Rs.	As.	Ps.
1 Head Maistry at	14	0	0	each...	14	0	0
2 Petty Mastries @	10	0	0	each...	20	0	0
30 Bildars at ...	.7.	0	0	each...	210	0	0
Total Company's Rupees....					244	0	0

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Order No.2649, 6th August 1857.

Sanctioned.

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Stores supplied to the Field Engineer with the--The issue of,--approved... ... ...

No.224. Page No. 2166. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From the Inspector General of Ordinance and Magazines, 4th August 1857, No.228; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to report that, at the request of the Commandant of Engineers, I have authorized the Field Engineer with the Moveable Column, to obtain such stores from the Arsenals of Bangalore and Bellary as may be required.

No.225. Page. 2167.

Order No. 2636, 4th August 1857.

Approved.

Movements of Corps.

5th Native Infantry from Berhampore to Nagpore.

No.98. Page No. 2308. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Telegram.

From the Officer Commanding Nagpore Moveable Column, Jubbulpore, 17th August 1857; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Madras.

A Ressuldar of the Bhopal Contingent assisted by the men of the Contingent Cavalry and Infantry has taken forcible possession of the Guns, three nine Pounders and one twenty four Pounder Howitzer and raised the Mahomedan Standard in the Cantonment of Sehore--most of the Bundeelah Chiefs are also in rebellion--we have consequently to carry on war in a jungle Country, and are greatly in want of Infantry--we have only four hundred and eighty-two Rank and File of Madras Infantry in Camp and the sickly

season is fast approaching. I earnestly solicit that at least one thousand Madras Infantry may be added to my Column with all possible despatch.

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No.99. Page No. 2308. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Order No.2864, 25th August 1857.

The Governor in Council authorises the movement of the 5th N.I. from Berhampore to Nagpore, as arranged in communication with the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, and directs a reference to be made to the Governor of the Straits, for the purpose of ascertaining whether the 38th N.I., can now be allowed to return to India.

2. Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

6th Regiment Light Cavalry from Jaulnah to Kamptee.

No.27. Telegram. Page No.2183. Military Consultation d/11-8-185

From the Resident of Hyderabad, 5th August 1857, to the Military Secretary to Government.

The following message from Commissioner at Nagpore has just reached me for transmission. I am very desirious of assisting the Government of India with Cavalry. If a Wing of the sixty Cavalry can be ordered on to Nagpore I will on its arrival send on the remaining two Squadrons of the fourth Cavalry to join the Squadron, which has already been advanced. Or if the whole sixty Cavalry can be ordered on, other arrangements being made for the protection of the Cantonment of Jaulnah--a Wing of that

Regiment could proceed on to the North with the two Squadrons of the fourth Cavalry, the other Wing remaining at Kamptee for service in this Province. Such a body of Cavalry would be invaluable in the disturbed Provinces in the North under our present circumstances.

No.23. Telegram. (Page 2183)

From the Resident of Hyderabad, 5th August 1857;
to the Chief Secretary to Government.

Having received an urgent requisition from the Commissioner at Nagpore for the services of the sixty Madras Cavalry stationed at Jaulnah, in order that he may place at the disposal of the Government of India as many Cavalry as can be made available for employment in the North West Provinces. I have directed a complete Troop of the Second Cavalry Hyderabad Contingent, amounting to about eight Rank and File and two complete Companies of Infantry to occupy Jaulnah on the move of the sixty Madras Cavalry. A Wing of that Corps might march at once on Nagpore to be followed by the remainder of the Corps on the arrival of the Troop of the Hyderabad Cavalry at Jaulnah; I shall await your answer previous to moving any of the Troops Hyderabad Contingent. I beg for speedy reply.

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No.29. Telegram. (Page No. 2184).

From the Resident of Hyderabad, 6th August 1857; to the Military Secretary to Government.

Message received. Can spare Cavalry from Jaulnah and will take immediate measures for the Military occupation of Jaulnah by the Hyderabad Contingent. Have requested General Coffin to move up a Wing of the sixty Cavalry at once to Nagpore and the other on the Contingent Troops taking their place at that Station.

No.30. Page No. 2184.

Order No. 2658, 7th August 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Telegrams be communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief with an intimation that the Resident at Hyderabad has been requested to arrange with the Officer Commanding H.S.F. for the immediate dispatch of the 6th Light Cavalry to Kamptee.

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Horse--correspondence respecting the dispatch of 200,--
to Bengal... ... ...

No.112. Page No.2211.Military Consultation of 11-8-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 28th July 1857, No.1049 to the Secretary to the Government, Military Department.

I am directed to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George, that the Right Honorable the Governor General in Councils has decided on availing himself of the services of 2,000 Mysore Horse in the Bengal Presidency.

2. A letter has this day been addressed to Major General Sir M. Cubbon, K.C.B. a copy of which is enclosed

desiring him to despatch the men without delay via Bellary, Nagpore, and Mirzapore; and I am desired to request that you will move the Madras Government to communicate on receipt of this, by Telegram, with Sir M. Cubbon and to issue such orders as may be necessary to facilitate the progress of the party through the Madras Presidency, and give notice to the Commissioner of Nagpore, of the probable date of the arrival of the party in that Province.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 28th July 1857; No.1048 to the Commissioner in Mysore.

I am directed to request that you will despatch 2,000 Mysore Hourse towards the Bengal Presidency via Bellary, Nagpore and Mirzapore.

2. You are authorized to raise other horsemen to re-place these 2,000 men.

3. Lieutenant Colonel, McLeod is to proceed in Command, and you are requested to despatch as many as you can, without delay, leaving the remainder to follow immediately they can be sent on.

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No.113. Page No.2212.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 8th August 1857, No.2697; to the Commissioner of Mysore.

I am directed to forward for your information copy of a letter received from the Government of India, 28th July 1857, No.1049. on the subject of the 2,000 Mysore Horse, which you have been requested to dispatch to the Bengal Presidency.

2. The Governor in Council instructs me to inquire whether any assistance can be rendered by this Government.

Native Army.
8th Light Cavalry--dismounted for evincing a disinclination to proceed on service to Bengal.

No.4.Page.2280.Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 20th August 1857, No.964; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that in consequence of the 8th Light Cavalry having evinced a disinclination to proceed on service to Bengal, the Regiment has been dismounted in accordance with arrangements decided upon by the Provincial Commander-in-Chief in personal communication with the Governor in Council.

2. A full report of all the circumstances connected with the case, shall be made to Government hereafter.

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No.4A.

Order No.2826 A, 21st August 1857.

Ordered that the Horses, Saddlery, and Line Equipments of the 8th Light Cavalry be forwarded to Calcutta without delay.

2. Arrangements will be made by the Inspector General for appraising the value of the articles made over to Bengal, and for the due adjustment of accounts whether with Government, or with the Saddle and Petty Contract Funds.

3. He will also arrange for taking over the Regimental Stock, belonging to the Saddle Contract, and for closing the contract account of the Regiment.

4. Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

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No.4-B. Page No.2281.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 21st August 1857, No.2827; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I am directed to report for the information of the Government of India, that in consequence of the 8th Light Cavalry having evinced a disinclination to proceed on service to Bengal, the Regiment has been dismounted.

2. The Horses, Saddlery, and Line Equipments have been embarked for Calcutta under charge of a detail of Officers and Non-Commissioned.

3. Horsekeepers have been engaged for the trip, and will have to be sent back to Madras.

4, Further particulars will be reported hereafter.

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1st Regiment Madras Native Infantry--Correspondence respecting the misconduct of this Corps laid before the Government of India. ... ...

No.102. Page No. 2268.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 18th July 1857, No.786; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letter (c)
(c.) Vide Cons.16th June 1857, No.50)) No.1920 of the 13th June 1857, forwarding one from the Adjutant General of the Madras Army No. 600, dated 11th June last, containing the remarks of the Commander-in-Chief on the proceedings of the Court of Enquiry into the misconduct of the 1st Madras Native Infantry, I am directed to state for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that it has been laid before the Government of India.

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No. 103. Page No. 2269.
Military Consultation of 18th August 1857.

Order No. 2790 dated 17th August 1857.

Recorded.

Madras Troops--Information desired as to what extent requisitions are likely to be made for the services of... ...

Commander-in-Chief to report upon its capabilities to meet requisitions for,--and the measures he would deem advisable for securing its numerical sufficiency... ...

No.49. Page No.2189. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857.

Minute by the Right Honorable the President,

August 1857.

The period at which it is usual to order the reliefs and movements of Corps for the ensuing twelve months has now arrived--and under present circumstances this has become a subject for serious and anxious consideration.

For not only is it necessary to settle the distribution of Corps to those stations which are now allotted to the Madras Army--but the question naturally arises whether this Government may not be called upon, in addition, to

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occupy other territories and to provide Corps for active service.

This last eventuality has already partially occurred, as we have despatched two Regiments, which were amongst the first for Foreign Service, to Bengal.

It appears to me more than probable than we may be required to supply troops for those territories in Central India lately abandoned by the Madras Army, such as Jubbulpore, Saugor, Mhow, and Jaulnah--and possibly our Military limits may be extended still further North.

Looking to these possibilities, it is absolutely necessary to ascertain distinctly from the Supreme Government

what requirements in this respect will be made upon us--and to consider whether we can meet them,--and, if not, what course should be adopted to make the Madras Army capable of meeting the calls which may be received.

The proceedings of this Government have lately demonstrated in very plain and clear terms that our Sepoys have been overworked--have been run into debt by constant changes of station--have been rendered uncomfortable--and are consequently and naturally discontented.

It is barely possible to meet the reliefs at present required--certainly not, I believe, without moving Regiments which have been less than the allotted time at their present stations--while I see little or no prospect of reducing the number of those stations, or of the troops located at them.

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I would propose also, that the Commander-in-Chief should be requested to furnish Government with a report on the capabilities of the Army to meet the present requirements, and those above mentioned which may be made on it, and also to state what further measures he would deem advisable for securing its numerical sufficiency.

No.50. Page No. 2190. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857.

Minute by the Honorable W. Elliot, Esq. 6-8-1857.

The reference to the Government of India on the subject of the Military resources of this Presidency, proposed by the Right Honorable the President is very necessary. It should be made without loss of time.

Overtaxed as the Madras Army has been by the demands made upon it for service beyond sea, and tried as its good feeling has been by arbitray changes in its rates of pay, pension rules &c. for purpose of assimilation with other parts of the empire, any further calls upon its powers of endurance would be too severe a trial of its loyalty and patience, and under present circumstances even dangerous.

I think it is desirable at this juncture to postpone the tour of reliefs wherever it is practicable few Regiments have completed more than the term of three years at their present stations and it would be advisable in my opinion to let them remain four or five years or until the present crisis be overpast.

No.51. Page No.2190.

Order No.2666,8-8-1857.

Ordered that the foregoing Minutes be forwarded for the consideration of the Government of India--and that the Provincial Commander-in-Chief be requested to report to Government upon the capabilities of the Madras Army to meet present requirements, as well as such as it may probably be called upon to answer--and also to state what further measures he would deem advissble for securing its numerical sufficiency.

2. The Governor in Council is of opinion that movements of relief for the ensuing season should be restricted to such only as may be absolutely necessary.

3. Ordered that the following letter be dispatched.

No.52. Page No. 2190. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 8th August 1857, No. 2667, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I am directed to forward for submission to the Government of India the accompanying copies of Minutes by the Right Honorable the President, and the Honorable Mr. Elliot, having reference to the present strength and distribution of the Madras Army, and its capability to meet any further demands which may be made upon it, in connection especially with the probable wants of the Saugor and Nurbudda districts.

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2. The Governor in Council earnestly solicits that the subject may receive early consideration, and that this Government may be informed as soon as practicable to what extent requisitions are likely to be made for the services of Madras Troops, in order that measures may be at once adopted to prepare them to meet the call.

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Newspapers:

Military arrangements--Measures to be adopted for preventing the publication in--of proposed... ... ...

No.186. Page No. 2155. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857

Minute by the Right Honorable the President,

1st August 1857.

In the Spectator of this morning appears a notice of the proposed destination of the remainder of the Wing of the 2nd Europeans, expected from Rangoon.

I have previously on various occasions pointed out by private communications the inexpediency of permitting such information respecting Military Movements to become public--but with no good effect.

As I am convinced that serious inconvenience may arise from the measures proposed becoming known--I feel it my duty to take more serious notice of the circumstance.

It is quite clear, that in this instance and so it may be in others that the landing, and the progress through the country of so small a body of men might be impeded and endangered--and its usefulness at the places for which it is destined neutralized.

Where there is a will there is a way--and I am sure that if proper measures are adopted by the heads of Departments, that such intelligence, as this need not be spread throughout the country for the information of the enemies of the British Government.

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It must therefore propose, that precautions be taken in the Military Department of Government and that the subject be brought to the notice of the Commander-in-Chief for his serious consideration--in order that such measures may be adopted, as may secure some degree of privacy to the proposed movements of Troops, or other Military preparations.

It is probable, that when an expedition is organised or Troops ordered on service, that in consequence of the number of persons in different Offices, who must become aware of it--the knowledge of the fact must become public--but in this case, there was nothing of the kind--a simple movement is ordered, which need not become known to more than a dozen people, before the Steamer reached Negapatam,

and yet within three days of the order being given it is blazoned all over the country.

There is a morbid appetite in existence for furnishing every list of information to the Newspapers with an utter disregard to the good of the public service or to the obligations of fidelity under which all the employees of Government are morally subject, which must be checked--and the heads of Departments should be called on to give their best endeavours to get rid of this baneful habit.

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No.187. Page No.2156.

Minute by the Honorable Walter Elliot, Esquire.. August 1857.

The proposed arrangement for the location of the expected Detachment of the 2nd European L.I. cannot have been known to many individuals, for the notice in the Spectator was the first intimation that reached me on the subject, and from the nature of the arrangement as stated in the Spectator, I did not consider it a probable one and therefore paid no attention to it. It is certain that the Subordinates in the Public Offices of Government consider themselves at liberty to divulge whatever information passes through their hands and I agree with the Rigght Honorable the President that such laxity is very discreditable to the organisation of such Offices and that

it should be stringently repressed.

It is not to be tolerated that every order and arrangements of the Government should be proclaimed from the house-top, as soon as it has been conceived or proposed--It is easy to see what dangerous consequences might ensue in certain cases from such want of caution, and I fully concur in the propriety of insisting that a stop shall be put to the practice in future.

No.188. Page No. 2156.

Order No.2616, dated 4th August 1857.

The Governor in Council observes that in the Spectator of the 1st instant there was published a notice of the proposed distribution of the remainder of the Wing of the 2nd European Light Infantry expected from Rangoon.

2. It has been ascertained that the arrangement in question has not yet been placed on record in the Government Office.

3. It must consequently have been from one of the Departments under the orders of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief that the information was supplied.

4. The Governor in Council therefore requests the Major General's attention to the subject, in order that it may be ascertained with whom the responsibility rests.

5. The publication of proposed Military arrangements in the Newspapers has more than once attracted His Lordship's notice--and looking to the serious injury to the Public Service which such a practice is liable to occasion, he must peremptorily require such measures to be at once adopted as shall effectually obviate its recurrence.

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Rules for the publication of Official Records in--not to be changed.

No.46. Page No.2288.Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Extract Mins.of Cons.Public Dept. Communicating a letter from the Government of India, passing observations on the subject of the Official Records to which representatives of the Public press may have access, and observing that there are no~~t~~ grounds for making any change in the rules orginally promulgated, which are to remain in force without addition or alterat on.	Here enter 14th August 1857, No.1137.

No.47.

Order No. 2842, 22nd August 1857.

Recorded.

Proclamations:-
Seditious--issued by the Insurgents in Bengal--measures to be adopted for preventing their circulation.... ....

No.17 Page No. 2094, Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

Extract Mins. of Cons. Judicial Dept. Communicating, in view to the necessary orders being issued to all the Military authorities at this Presidency, a letter from the Government of India, requesting that close watch be kept against the dissemination of seditious proclamations issued by the Insurgents in Bengal, and to punish with severity all persons found distributing or exhibiting them.	Here enter 28th July 1857, No.893.

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Order No. 2542, 29th July 1857.

Communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief.

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Sappers and Miners:

Company required in Bengal. - Orders issued for i s despatch.

No.109.Page No.2129.Military Consultation.d/4-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 29th July 1857, No.840; to the Secretary to Government Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to request you will be good enough to represent to the Right Honorable the Governor-in-Council, that from a demi official communication from Major General Coffin, it appears to Major General Beresford to be highly necessary that a competent Engineer Officer be sent to Secunderabad; to act exclusively under the orders of the Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Force, who under existing arrangements has only the occasional aid of an Executive Officer, who is now employed at the

Residency or may be required at Wurungool.

Should there be any difficulty in providing an Officer to officiate as Superintending Engineer to the Force, leaving his permanent employment as such for after consideration, Major General Bresford would propose to detach for this service LieutenantWinscom now Commanding the Sappers and Miners.

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Company required in Bengal--Ofders issued for its despatch.
No.112. Page No.2270. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 6th August 1857, No.221; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George, that the services of a Company of Sappers and Miners are urgently required inBengal, and to request that you will move His Lordship in Council to send a Company of Madras Sappers and Miners to Calcutta as early as practicable, raising an additional Company to supply its place at Madras.

No.113.

Ofder No. 2795, dated 17th August 1857.

Ordered to be communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, and Departments concerned--with a view to immediate effect being given to the instructions of the Government of India.

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Saugor Division.

HosHungabad--Orders issued for a supply of Ordnance and ammunition for the defensive works at... ... .

No.139. Page No. 2274. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, For William, 7th August 1857, No.320; to the Secretary to Government, Military Departmant.

I am directed to transmit for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of Extract, para.4, of the- a communication dated 25th July 1857, from the Chief Engineer Saugor and Nerbudda Territories to the address of the Secretary to the Government of India Public Works Department, applying for two 9 Pounder Guns for Arming the defensive works now under construction at Hoshungabad; and copy of my letter No. 319 of this date to the Officer Commanding the Nagpore Force, sanctioning their supply.

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Extract from a letter from Major S.O.E. Ludlow, Chief Engineer, Saugor, and Nerbudda Territories, dated 25-7-1857.

Para.4--I take this opportunity of stating for the information of Government, that on the 16th instant I made an application to the Officer Commanding the Nagpore Force for two 9 Pounder Guns to assit in arming the defensive works now under construction here, we have at present only two 6 pounders which are quite insufficient for that purpose, and as the maintenance of this post appears to be a matter of great importance, seeing that its loss would expose the Flanks of both the Kamptee and Bombay columns now marching northwards, and probably throw both the Nursingpore, Hoshungabad and Northern Parts of the Nagpore District into a state of disorganization, I trust that the

Supreme Government will approve of my application, and if so support it by a direct and immediate order to the Kamptee authorities for compliance--We do not require Gunners.

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From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 7th August 1857, No.319; to the Officer Commanding the Nagpore Force, Kamptee.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council to request that you will have the goodness to supply as speedily as practicable two 9 Pounder Guns with ammunition for arming the defensive works now under construction at Hoshungabad.

No.140. Order No.2810, 18th August 1857.
Communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief and Inspector General of Ordnance.

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Ships:

"Calliance," | Their engagement for the conveyance of
"Carnatic," | of the Golundauze to Calcutta approved...

No.83.Page No.2124.Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From the Secretary to Marine Board, 30th July 1857,
No.2589; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

No.2506, dated 28th July 1857,* on a letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army of the 27th idem.

In accordance with the orders of Government marginally noted, I have the honor by desire of the Marine Board to inform you that they have engaged the ships "Calliance" and "Carnatic" for the conveyance to Calcutta of the Golundauze with their complement of guns and bullocks, for Rs.24,000(twenty-four thousand, and Rs.18,700 (eighteen thousand and sevmn hundred) respectively.

2. The Board called for tenders at short notice when the following were received.

		Tons	Rupees.
Messrs.Bainbridge & Co.	"Calliance"...	822	24,000
" "	"Empress Eugenie" ...	654	19,500
" Lecot Hicks & Co.	"Minden" ...	917	25,000
" Shand & Co.	"Carriemulzie" ...	606	18,000
" "	"Carnatic" ...	632	18,700

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3. The Arrangements above reported have been made in communication with the Quarter Master General of the Army, who together with the Master Attendant reports favorably on the vessels, and the Board trust their proceedings will be approved.

4. It is expected that the vessels will be ready to proceed in about 5 or 6 days.

No.84.

Order No.2572, 31st July 1857.

Approved.

Conveyance of Horse Artillery and Cavalry to Calcutta-- The engagement of--for the--sanctioned--- Vessels engaged, approved.

No.127. Page No. 2214.Military Consultation of 11-8-1857

From the Quarter Master General of the Army 10th August 1857, N .309; to the Secretary to Government, Military department.

There being several vessels in the roads capable of assisting in the transport of the 8th Regiment Light Cavalry and the Detachment of E.Troop Horse Artillery to Calcutta. The Provincial Commander-in-Chief begs you will be so good as to obtain the sanction of Government to the most eligible of them being engaged at once, leaving an allotment for the "Simoom" should she be sent down as promised. The Commander-in-Chief begs an early order to the Marine Board.

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No.128. Page No.2214. Military Consultation of 11-8-1857

Order No. 2705 dated 11th August 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the proposed engagement of sailing vessels in aid of the transport of the Horse Artillery and Cavalry to Calcutta.

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No.29. Page No. 2244. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857,

From the Secretary to Marine Board, 12th August 1857, No.2303; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by desire of the Marine Board to inform you that, in anticipation of the order of Government, marginally noted, they invited tenders to be opened at 5 p.m., on the 10th instant for ships for the transport to Calcutta of the 3th Light Cavalry and the detachment of the E. Troop of Horse Artillery, when the following were received.

No.2705, dated 11th August 1857, on a letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army, of the 10th idem.

M/s.Shand & Co.	"Corriemulzie".	Tons.	606	for	Rs.18,000
" Bainbridge & Co.	"Empress Eugenie"	"	654	Ogm	Rs.21,000
" "	"Isbella"	"	476	"	Rs.16,000
" Arbuthnot & Co.	"White Eagle"	"	993	"	Rs.30,000
" Milltr & Sons.	"Blue Rock"	"	780 or 666 N.M.	"	Rs.25,000
" DeSouza, Cammiade & Co.	"Queen of the Wave".	"	496	"	Rs.15,000

2. The whole of these ships, with the exception of the "Queen of the Wave," have passed favorable survey by the Quarter Master General's and Marine Departments, and as the first five will carry about 380 horses leaving

about 120 for the "Simoom," the Board have engaged them and are now employed in preparing them for the service, trusting that their proceedings will meet with approval.

3. The "Empress Eugenie" has been selected to carry the Horse Artillery, while the 8th Cavalry have been assigned to the remainder.

No.30.

Order No. 2755, 15th August 1857.

<u>Approved</u>.

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Sircy:

Orders issued for Troops being despatched to--to put down a Polygar trying to excite rebellion... ... ...

No.69. Telegram.Page No.2301.

From the Magistrate of Dharwar, 22nd August 1857; to Lord Harris.

Express from Joint Magistrate Sircy, begs me to acquaint your Lordship, he has been informed that a Polygar of his Division, able to collect one thousand Matchlocks, is endeavouring to excite Villagers to Rebellion and begs that he may be allowed to call for 50 Europeans from Dharwar, or two Companies of N.I., from Hurryhur--There are only fifty Europeans here, who cannot be spared, but the Officer Commanding at Dharwar will place two Companies N.I., at his disposal on whom he thinks he can depend.

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70. Page No. 2301. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Telegram.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department 233d August 1857; No.29494. to the Magistrate of Dharwar.

Lord Harris thanks you for your message. Send express to Hurryhur for any Troops required at Sircy.

Orders have been sent to Bellary to despatch express to Hurryhur to send off two Companies.

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No.71. Telegram. Page No. 2301.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 23rd August 1857, No.2849 B. to the Commissioner of Mysore.

Magistrate at Dharwar has telegraphed message from Magistrate at Sircy stating that a Polygar is stirring up Villagers to rebellion and asking for Troops.

Orders have been issued to send expresses to Hurryhur from Dharwar, and also from Bellary for two Companies, to move forthwith.

No.72. Telegram. Page No. 2302.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 23rd August 1857, No.2849-C; to the Officer Commanding Ceded Districts.

Notify by express to Hurryhur that Magistrate at Sircy requests Troops.

Two Companies to be sent forthwith.

No.73. Order No.2853, 24th August 1857.

Ordered that the foregoing papers be communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, with a view to such further orders being issued as may be necessary.

Transportation:

Mutineers under sentence of--Early notice to be given to the Judicial authorities respecting.

No.121. Page No.2312. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857.

Extract Mins. of Cons. Judicial Department, Passing orders relative to the custody and conveyance to Madras of certain Mutineers of the 1st Cavalry Hyderabad Contingent sentenced to transportation and sent to Masulipatam, and desiring that earlier notice may be given hereafter of matters of a similar nature.

Here enter 24th August 1857. No2071.

1223 No.122.

Order No. 2874, 25th August 1857.

Recorded.

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Travelling expenses.

Cannon, Captain E. 17th Native Infantry allowed,-- from Bangalore to the Presidency on his Corps embarking for Bengal... ... ...

No.49. Page No.2251. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 10th August 1857, No.898; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, in forwarding for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying application from Captain E. Cannon, 17th Regiment Native Infantry, late Instructor at the Bangalore Depot of Instruction in Rifle Musketry, to convey Major General Beresford's recommendation that the expenses incurred by this Officer in travelling from Bangalore to the Presidency amounting to Rupees 55 may be borne by the State.

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From Captain E. Cannon, 17th Regiment M.N.I. 4yh August 1857; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to lay before His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief may claim to be re-imbursed the sum (as per margin) expended by me for Transit &c. in complying with the Division Order (copy annexed) of the Officer Commanding Mysore Division.

Paid Syed Hamed, Bullock Transit	Rs. 35
Black and Co., baggage cost	Rs. 11
Train for self and baggage.	Rs. 9
Total	Rs. 55

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On hearing from private sources that my Regiment was ordered on service, I made my arrangement to join with the least possible delay in hopes of being in time to accompany it to Calcutta; but on arriving here found it had embarked. I observe that in the Gazette of the 31st ultimo, I am directed to join "forthwith," had I acted on this order, I believe I should have been entitled to my expenses, I trust therefore that having acted in anticipation, on the above quoted D.O. will not militate against receiving the amount disbursed.

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Extract from Division Order, dated Head Quarters, Mysore Division, Bangalore, 27th July 1857.

Under instruction from Army Head Quarters Captain Cannon, 17th Regiment N.I. Instructor to the Depot of Rifle Musketry, will proceed and join his Regiment with the least practicable delay.

(A true Extract.)

Sd. S. Mainwaring, Captain,
Ag.Major of Brigade.

No.50. Page No. 2251. Military Consultation of 18-8-1857.

Order No. 2765 dated 11th August 1857.

Sanctioned as recommended.

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Hare, Lieutenant H.A. 17th Native Infantry allowed,-- from Trevandrum to the Presidency on his Corps embarking for Bengal.

No.1. Page No.2279. Military Consultation of 25-8-1857

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 19th August 1857, No. 954, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief-

Dated 15th August 1857.

in forwarding for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the enclosed application from Lieutenant H.A. Hare 17th Regiment N.I., to convey Major General Beresford's

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recommendation that the expenses incurred by this Officer in travelling from Tsevandrum to the Presidency enroute to join his Corps proceeded on service, amounting to Rupees 180-4-11 may be borne by the State.

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From Lieutenant H.A. Hare, 17th Regiment N.I., Madras, 15th August 1857, No.1 to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have the honor with reference the General Order indicated in the margin, directing me to join my Regiment with the least practicable delay, to state that having quitted Trevandrum on the 6th instant, I arrived here this morning, and I hope that the amount of my dak and transit expenses (a memorandum of which I beg to enclose) may be liquidated by Government.

General Orders by Major General M. Beresford, Provincial Commander-in-Chief, dated 27th July 1857.

Memo shewing the amount of Dak and transit expenses incurred by Lieutenant Hare, 17th Regiment N.I. between Trevandrum and Madras.

To amount paid for bearers according to Memos. furnished by the Civil Authories between Trevandrum and Trichinopoly.	105 4 11
To " " transit between Trichinopoly and Madras.	75 0 0
Total Company's Rupees.	180 4 11

Madras,
15th August 1857.

Sd./ H.A. Hare,
Lieutenant,
17th Regiment N.I.

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Order, No.2820, 21st August 1857.

<u>Sanctioned.</u>

No.103-A. Madras--The embarkation of--for Calcutta reported.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 31st July 1857, No.2574 A, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I am directed to report the embarkation of the 17th and 27th Regiments of Native Infantry for Calcutta as noted in the margin, fully equipped for service.

"Punjab","Semiramis"-Sailed on the evening of 30th
"Coromandel"-Sailed on the morning of 31st
"Auckland," (arrived night of 30th July)--Sails tomorrow 1st August.

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2. A Company of Golundauze will embark in a few days on board two sailing vessels which have been taken up for the purpose--Steamers not affording accommodation for Bullocks,

3. The Horse Artillery and 8th Light Cavalry are now on their march from Bangalore and will probably be at Madras for embarkation by the 22nd August.

4. It having been necessary to detach part of the E. Troop Horse Artillery with the Moveable Column which has recently marched from Bangalore, only 2 Guns can at present proceed to Bengal.

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Corps' that have volunteered for service in Bengal.

No.234.

Read the following letters:- from Lieut.Col.W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 17th July 1857, No.769; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying letter from the Officer Commanding 6th Regiment Light Cavalry bringing to notice the unanimous request of the men under his command to be employed against the Mutineers in the Bengal Presidency.

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I am further directed to transmit the enclosed letter from the Officer Commanding Native Infantry Depot intimating that Subadar Shaik Burray 38th Regiment N.I. had come forward and tendered his services in any way that might be considered useful in the disturbed Provinces.

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From Liet. Col. J. Byng, Commanding 6th Light Cavalry; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that I have forwarded a letter to the Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, regarding the volunteering of the Regiment which I have the honor to command, and to request you will lay it before His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief--I beg to enclose a copy.

From Lieut. Col. J. Byng, Commanding 6th Light Cavalry; to the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

Sir,

I have the honor, and with great satisfaction, to report that the Regiment under my command, having heard of the many and brutal acts committed by the mutinous rascals of the Bengal Army, have in a body come forward with the urgent request that I would express to Government the unqualified disgust and abhorrence they entertain of such conduct--other Corps have come forward and have been thanked for their conduct in so doing--the Regiment which I have the honor and pride to command have not done so earlier because they thought that being stationed on the Frontier and nearer the scene of action Government

would, had there been any necessity, have ordered them on at once (a duty they would willingly most willingly have performed. It always has been, and still is, our faith that Government thinks us, (and which we will prove by our lives,) loyal--and to volunteer to do duty which we have sworn to do is in our part superfluous and uncalled for, and we now trusting that such is the case, and other Corps volunteered services having been thanked in orders, merely wish to show that we are as loyal as others and ready to proceed at a moment's notice wherever and whenever our services are required. I can state that this has been on a spontaneous wish of the Regiment and not orginating from any thing that has been suggested by

the Officers. It has been conveyed to me as coming from all ranks of the Corps, and I need not observe that the Officers are as anxious as the men that we should be employed. The Families of the men are great and would of course require some protection down country--the more especially from the fact that the families of two of the men, a Naick and Sepoy having been insulted and taunted on their way from Furlo' to rejoin at a village (Bheer) about 60 miles from this--who gave out that look upon all who serve the Government as Kafers and that the families of such were lawful to them--their families would have to pass through such disaffected country on their way through to their own country--the whole Regiment without exception, on protection being given

for their families, as ready to move at a moment's notice and their desire is that they may be sent--my confidence in the Corps is such that I can most safely say they are most loyal and it is thehope of all that Government will give the Corps an opportunity of proving themselves to be so.

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From Captain A. Ritherdon, Commanding Native Infantry Depot, Palaveram, 10th July 1857, No.1664; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I deem it right in justice to the feelings expressed by Subadar No.94 Sheikh Burray of the 38th Regiment N.I. to inform you that he was waited on me to state his great desire that his services may be offered to the Government in any way that may be considered useful to the State in the disturbed provinces. The Subadar having so freely volunteered his services I feel I should be wanting in justice to him were I to withold the expressions of loyalty he gave such free and unreserved utterance to.

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No.235.

From Lieut.Colonel W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 13th July 1857, No.776; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter * from the Officer Cammanding 30th Regiment N.I. Bringing to noticethat the men of that Corps at Head Quarters had volunteered their services for the North West Provinces or wherever Government might be pleased to send them.

*Dated 8th July 1857, No.265.

From Major G.F. Salmon, Commanding 30th Regiment N.I. Cuddapah, 8th July 1857, No.265; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

265.; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort St.George.

Sir,

I have great satisfaction in communicating to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief that, (notwithstanding the Regiment has only returned from Foreign Service in Burmah, 15 months, and has also had great difficulties to contend with since its return) the Native Officers of the Regiment after an evening parade informed me that the 5 companies at Regimental Head Quarters were desirous of volunteering their services for the North West Provinces, or Bengal or wherever Government might be pleased to send them. The men at the time

were dismissed the parade, I immediately sounded the Bugle, and having reformed the Regiment asked them if what was conveyed to me by their Native Officers was their wish, and if so, that they should advance in line on the parade ground, on hearing this, the whole of the men on parade advanced 10 or 12 paces of their worn accord with loud and prolonged cheering, not a man remained behind.

2. I have little doubt when the 5 Companies at present absent on command at Ghooty, and looking after some Rohillas who are plundering in the Kurnool District hear of what the Companies at Head Quarters have done that they will follow the example of their comrades..

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No.236. Page No.2170. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From Lieut.Col.W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 22nd July 1857; No.793; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

In continuation of letter from this Office dated 18th instant No.776, I have

Forwarding a report from the Officer Commanding 30th Regt.N.I. that the 5 companies of the Regiment at Head Quarters had volunteered their services for employment against the mutineers in the Bengal Presidency.

the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding 30th Regiment N.I. bringing to notice that the five Companies of the Regiment absent on Command, have volunteered their services for employment in the North West Provinces.or Bengal.

From Major G.F. Salmon, Commanding 30th Regiment N.I. 18th July 1857, No.281; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort St.George.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. and subject as per margin, I have the satisfaction

No.265. Communicating the desire of the 30th Regiment N.I. to volunteer their services for the North West Provinces or Bengal, expressive of their loyalty to the British Government.

to report to you for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that the five Companies absent on command when the Head Quarters volunteered, have joined their comrades in this expression of their loyalty.

N.B. Forwarded "direct" to save time.

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No.237. Page No.2170.Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From Lieut.Col.W.G. Woods Adjutant General of the Army, 23rd July 1857, No.804; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Brigadier Commandant of Artillery bringing to notice that the men of the E.Company Golundauze at Vizianagram had expressed their desire to be employed against the rebels in the North Western Provinces, or wherever their services might be required by Government.

Dated 21st July 1857.No.743.

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From the Brigadier. A.E. Shirreff, Commandant of Artillery, 21st July 1857, No.743; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for submission to the Commander-in-Chief the annexed copy of a letter* from the Officer Commanding the 5th or Golundauze Battalion Artillery, stating that the whole of the men of the E. Company of that Battalion have expressed their desire to be employed against the rebels in the North Western Provinces, or wherever their services may be required by Government; and that the volunteering on this, as well as on former occasions, is not confined to the Golundauze Companies, but equally embraces the Gun Lascars and Karkhana Drivers attached to them.

*No.445 dated 18th July 1857.

From Lieutenant Colonel (Colonel,) P.J. Begbie, Commanding 5th Battalion Artillery, 18th July 1857, No.445; to the Assistant Adjutant General of Artillery, Saint Thomas' Mount.

Sir,

I have much gratification in requesting that you will bring to the notice of the Brigadier Commandant of Artillery, that I have this morning received a communication from the Officer Commanding the E. Company Golundauze at Vizianagrum, stating that the whole of the Company including the Detachment at Cuttack, have expressed their desire to be employed against the rebels in the North Western Provinces, or wherever their services may be required by Government.

2. I omitted to mention in my former communications that this volunteering their services is not confined to the Golundauze Companies, but equally embraces the Karkhana Drivers and Gun Lascars attached to them.

3. The volunteering of the E. Company completes the whole of the Battalion on this side the Bay, the remaining Companies being at present on Foreign Service.

No.238. Page No.2171.Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

From Lieut.Col.W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 29th May 1857, No.893; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding 23rd Regiment N.I. bringing to notice that the men of the corps under his Command are anxious to shew their devotion to the Government, and that it is their earnest desire to be employed on any service and in any place where their services may be required.

Dated 16th July 1857, No.80.

From Major J.H. Tapp, Commanding 23rd Regiment, L.I. Rullelcondah, 16th July, 1857, No.80; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to request you will bring to the notice of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, and with his sanction to the Government, that the Native Officers of the Regiment under my Command have this day informed me that they and the men of their respective Companies having heard of the disturbances which have occurred in the Bengal Presidency, are anxious to shew their devotion to the Government, and that their earnest desire is to be employed on any service and in any place where their services may be required by the State.

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Also to mention that they would have made this application earlier had they not thought that it was unnecessary. The 23rd Regiment Light Infantry having been always ready, and generally employed when there was any active service.

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No.239. Page No.2172. Military Consultation of 4-8-1857-

From Lieut.Col.W.G. Woods, Adjutant General of the Army, 31st July 1857, No.853; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Sir,

I have the honor by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding 2nd Regiment N.I. with enclosure bringing to notice that the men of the Regiment had petitioned to be employed on service against the Mutineers in Bengal.

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From Major General R. Budd, Commanding Southern Division, 28th July 1857, No.145; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an Urzee received from the Officer Commanding 2nd Regiment N.I. who states, the Urzee I would beg to observe, is signed by all the Native Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers present at Head Quarters, and by a few men of each Company in behalf of all the others, at parade this morning--I also personally ascertained that the Urzee expresses the general wish of all Ranks.

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We the Native Commissioned and Non-Commissioned Officers, Naigues, and Sepoys of the 2nd Regiment Madras Native Infantry--Moottoo Naick Battalion, hear with great regret and abhorence the rebellious and traitorous behavbur of the Native Sepoys of the Bengal Army with the Government, who having joined with the Mutineers made a pusillanimous attack against some unfortunate European Officers, as well as the small and great of that nation, who fell into their hands, excited disturbance, and committed fearful atrocities against them. For fear that our silence after hearing this news, shouls create any suspicious feelings in your mind, and with a view that you may entertain no apprehension upon hearing any false news, and that you may not consider us like them, we beg to represent to you that we ~~hav-~~ are heartily disgusted with the faithless and ungrateful acts of

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the Bengal Army, because they have during a lengthened period of time derived always benefits and favors from their Government, unmindful of which they have behaved traitorously and faithlessly with their Government, and violated the oath they took under their Flags--We highly regret and deplore the faithless and barbarous acts, we have heard, of the Bengal Sepoys, and are sure that they might have, by this time, been deservedly punished for their crimes.

We now for your satisfaction represent that we are cordially attached and faithful to Government, and that we solemnly and inviolably observe the oath and affirmation we made in the beginning under the Flags--and should at any time the Government require our assistance for the arrangement and management of the Public affairs or for the safety and protection of the Europeans we assure you

that the Battalion of Moottoo Naick shall assist them with great fidelity and loyalty.

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No.240. Page No.2172 Military Consultation of 4-8-1857.

Order No. 2638, 4th August 1857.

The Governor in Council directs that the foregoing papers, which he has perused with the highest satisfaction, be forwarded to the Government of India, and that the following G.O.* (* Vide Fort Saint George Gazette, 4th August 1857, No.248, page 204) be published.

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No.241. Page 2172. Military Consultation of 4;8-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 4th August 1857, No.2539; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

Sir,

In continuation of former correspondence, I am directed to forward the accompanying letters*

*Dated	23rd	July 1857,	No.804
"	17th	"	No.769
"	31st	"	No.853
"	29th	"	No.839
"	18th	"	No.776
"	22nd	"	No.793

from the Adjutant General of the Army relative to the under-mentioned Corps having expressed their desire to be employed against the Mutineers in the Bengal Presidency, together with a G.O. published by this Government on the occasion.

E.Company Golundauze.
6th Regiment L.C.
2nd Regiment N.I.
23rd Regiment L.I.
30th Regiment N.I.

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Aides-de-Camp.

Native to the Commander-in-Chief--Decision on a suggestion that the appointment of--be declared a Non-Effective one... ... ...

No.32.

From the Adjutant General of the Army 18th August 1857, No.945; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of Major General Beresfod, to request you will be good enough to bring under notice of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that in consequence of t e appointment of Native Aide-de-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief being an Effective one, the Corps from which t is Officer is selected suffers the double loss of stoppage in promotion and deprivation of its Subadar Major.

The Officer selected for the above appointment are generally old and distinguished Soldiers, and the appointment being honorary, incumbents are allowed to remain in it beyound the period when if with their Corps they would be removed to the Non-Effective Establishment and make way for the juniors.

The Provincial-Commander-in-Chief does not deem it desirable to enforce the Pensioning and Invaliding Rules in the case of Native Aide-de-Camp, but begs to recommend that the appointment may be declared a Non-Effective one, that the Subadar selected for it may be transferred to the unattached List.

Referred for the consideration and report of the Military Auditor General.

21st August 1857.

No.33. Page No.2406.Military Consultation of 8-9-1857

Report of the Military Auditor General,27th August 1857- B,

In returning the accompanying letter, No.945, under date the 18th instant, from the Adjutant General of the Army, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department referred for his report by order of Government, dated 21st instant, the Military Auditor General has the honor to state that, agreeably to para.1, Page 434, Pay Code, the Native Aide-de-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief is declared to be "Effective."

2. There being no unattached list of Native Officers, to which the Subadar Major now holding the appointment, or his successors, could be transferred, the propositon

of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief could apparently, only be met by causing him to be borne on the Regimental returns as a Supernumerary, an arrangement which, in addition to the extra expense it would entail on the State, would, before being carried out, require the sanction of the Honorable the Court of Directors.

3. The present incumbent, Govindoo, Sir Bahadoor, Subadar Major of the 18th Regiment, was appointed as recently as the 24th August 1852.

4. The last received Bengal annual statement shews that the two Native Aides-de-Camp to the Commander-in-Chief in India are Effective Officers--No such appointment seems to exist in the Bombay Presidency.

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No.34. Page No.2405. Military Consultation of 8-9-1857.

Order No.3034, 4th September 1857.

The Governor in Council observes that the two Native Aides-de-Camp in the Bengal Presidency are Effective Officers of Regiments--and that the Native Aide-de-Camp at this Presidency must therefore continue to be borne as at present.

Europeans and East Indians attached to Arsenals to be allowed a supply of,--to enable them to practice with Guns and small Arms.

34. Page No.2643. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, 21st September 1857, No.353; to the Secretary to Government Military Department.

I have the honor to report that I have obtained the approval of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to allow Europeans and East Indians attached to Arsenals to practice with Ball and Blank Ammunition from Guns and small Arms and I have now to solicit the authority of Government for an expenditure of Ammunition for this object, and to state that the expenditure will be unimportant.

No.35. Order No.3388, 25th September 1857.

Sanctioned.

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East Indian Drivers for the Bengal Artillery--correspondence respecting a Company of--being raised at this Presidency.... ....

No.162. Page No.2541. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Fort William, 8th September, 1857, No.341; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed to request that you will move the Right Honorble the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George to cause a Driver Company of East Indians to be raised at Madras for the Bengal Artillery.

2. It is proposed to allow the men the European Infantry rates of pay and rations as European Troops; but this, if they cannot be procured on more favorable terms, the terms of enlistment, the height and age (about 22 to 25) of the men, and other matters, are left to the discretion of the Government of Fort Saint George.

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No.163, Page No.2541. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Order No.3205, 15th September 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief with a request to be informed as soon as convenient whether the requisition from the Government of India can be complied with.

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No.22. Page No.2636. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 21st September 1857, No.1107; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Requesting to be informed whether a Company of East India Drivers can be raised at Madras for Bengal Artillery.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to acknowledge the receipt of Minutes of Consultation (a) No.3205 dated 15th instant.

The Commander-in-Chief considers that the terms of service recommended for the Madras Driver Company in letter from this Department No. 1061, dated 10th instant, ~~ehoulf-br-euyhetid~~ should be authorised for those to be entertained for Bengal.

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When this measure has received the sanction of Government, His Excellency proposes, with the assistance of Major Maitland, and if necessary with the further aid of another Officer to try and raise the Company of Drivers required for the service of the Bengal Artillery.

3 Serjeants.
3 Corporals.
60 Drivers.

The Commander-in-Chief presumes the Establishment of the Company should be as per margin.

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No.23. Page No.2636- Military Consultation of 29-9-1857

Order No. 3330, 25th September 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the arrangements proposed for the formation of a Company of East Indian Drivers for the service of the Bengal Presidency, to be of the strength proposed.

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1st Madras Fusiliers--A report of their services in Bengal perused with gratification... ... ...

97. Page No.2343. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 19th August 1857, No.952; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter* from the Officer Commanding 1st Madras Fusiliers detailing the Proceedings of the Regiment under his Command with the Moveable Column under the command of Brigadier General Havelock.

*Dated 1st August 1857, No.237.

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From the Officer Commanding 1st Madras Fusiliers, Camp Murragarwar, 1st August 1857, No.237; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to submit for the information of his Excellency the Commander-in-Chief the following details connected with the Regiment I have the honor to command, as relating to the operations of the Moveable Column under Brigadier General Havelock C.B. up to this date, 12th July 1857. The enemy was first met with at Futtypore, 40 miles from Allahabad, confident in his numbers, he left the Villages occupied, and came out to meet us. The Column had marched 18 miles, and on route had joined the small Column under Major Renaud. On our reconnoitering party being fired at, the General ordered Regiment to from

line of Columns at deploying distance; the Fusiliers on the right covered by Skirmishers--in this order wee advanced keeping pace with the guns, and driving the enemy before us through the Town of Futtypore, and dispersing them far beyond it. We captured on this day eleven guns and finally encamped at about 3 p.m. having gone over a distance of 25 miles, and the whole fight having been in paddy fields and swamps. The conduct of the Fusiliers was all that could be wished.

2. July 15th:- Early in the morning of the above date the Column arrived upon the Village of Aoung where the enemy had strongly entrenched themselves. Their position was very strong, and they had several heavy guns in an entrenched position. The Fusiliers were thrown

into a line of Skirmishers, Major Renaud Commanding the Left Wing, and Major Stephenson the Right, shortly after the advance of Skirmishers, the late Major Renaud was shot from the entrenched position which he had approached not propery supported. His horse was first wounded, and a shot (Musket) shattered his thigh, from the effect of which he lingered until the 21st when he died much regretted by the Officers of the Regiment. The enemy's position was soon carried, but not without heavy loss to the Fusiliers who behaved in a manner that elicited the admiration of the Brigadier General Commanding. I cannot speak too highly of the conduct of Officers and Men.

3. The force bivoucked under a Tope and after dinner proceeded en route to Pullin Nuddee. The Brigade on this

stream was looked to with much anxiety. The enemy having attempted to destroy it, but had not had time to do so effectually. The force formed up in Columns at close distance, and suffered for some time from a Cannonade from very heavy guns. The Fusiliers ware then ordered to the front, and formed a line of Skirmishers supported by H.M.'s Regiments. 64th and 84th and 78th Highlanders. The advance was ~~beatu~~ veautifully performed by the Fusiliers, and the guns which we e in an entrenched position were captured by them on the Cawnpore side of the Brigade. The Gene al in Command again expressed his admiration of the conduct of the Regiment.

4. July 16th:- "The action of Cawnpore."--The Enemy was found strongly entrenched in a large Village, the mud huts and walls of which appeared to have been made with a view to defence. The General refused the entrance by the road, but turned the Village by its left forming into line in the rear. The Cannonade of the Enemy was heavy and their range good. The Fusiliers were to the front of the line Skirmishing, and where the guns were captured, at this Village they formed on the right of the line, and thus continued until our final entrance into Cawnpore at 8 O'Clock p.m. The ~~fighat~~ fight having continued from 4 p.m. Village after Village was captured, and the whole of the Enemy's Guns. The Fusiliers were much engaged with the enemy being on the right flank, and exposed to the fire of Skirmishers posted

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in Vilage and Tope on their outer flank. I would beg especially to bring to the notice of His Excellency the conduct of Lieutenant Seton, who, with a small party of men did excellent service on our right flank and finally resisted in square a charge of a large body of Cavalry. Lieutenant Seton's party consisted of a section of a Company. The conduct of all Ranks under all the circumstances of fatigue, fighting, and exposure was most admirable.

Cawnpore July 26th:- On this day the Regiment crossed the Ganges and bivoucked on the high road that night.

July 27th:- The force advanced five miles awaiting at the Village of Murragarwar the arrival of Troops, and stores being sent across the Ganges.

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July 29th:- The Column proceeded to Woonai where some 6000 or more of the enemy had taken post with 15 guns. The battle lasted for a couple of hours, the force capturing all his Guns. The Fusiliers were in front with Skirmishers and supports took possession of the Tope, and drove large bodies of Sepoys before them; the guns then advanced and their fire drove the enemy from his guns; the line advanced. Fusiliers on the right. Skirmishers and supports in front. These, all the morning had been under the Command of Captain Grant and Fraser, whom with Lieutenants Groom and Arnold I beg particularly to recommend to the notice of His Excellency for their dashing and forward conduct. During the action Lieutenant Richardson was killed and Lieutenant Seton acting Aide-de-Camp to Brigadier General Havelock severely wounded.

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The force bivoucked on a Plain--the enemy remaining in sight for some time; but subsequently decamped. At 2 p.m. the Column preceeded to Bassaratgunge--the enemy being again in position. The Fusiliers were sent on with four guns, and after a brisk Cannonade which was returned from the Village, the Skirmishers advanced and captured the place--The number of guns captured this day was 19-

Lieutenants Dangerfield and Hargood were the first in the place and their conduct was a fine example to our own brave fellows who followed them.

July 30th:- A retrogade movement to Woonai.

" 31st do. do.

August 1st: Half at Murragarwar.

Having brought this slight sketch of the proceedings of the Regiment since it left Allahabad, I do not consider that it would be just to omit the names of Assistant Surgeon Robertson and Assistant Apothecary Heron, the former Officer was most energetic in the performance of his duty, and fearless in the midst of repeated dangers; he was ably assisted by the Apothecary whose conduct has been most praiseworthy at the two actions on the 29th July.

Surgeon Arthur was present having joined at Marragarwar on the 27th July-- His arrangements on the action of the 29th were efficient and his conduct cool and intrepid.

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No.98. Military Consultation of 1st Sept.1857.Page 2344.

From the Adjutant General of the Army,20th August, 1857, No.959; to the Secretary to Government,Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of *letter from the Deputy Adjutant General Bengal Army, transmitting Telegrams received by His Excellency Lieutenant General Sir P. Grant K.C.B. from Brigadier General Havelock C.B. Commanding the Moveable Column from Allahabad, expressive of the distinguished conduct of the 1st Madras Fusiliers serving with that Force, and I am directed to express the pride and satisfaction which Major General Beresford experiences and in which all must participate, in the just tribute therein paid to our fellow soldiers.

* Dated 8th August 1857 No.642.

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From the Deputy Adjutant General of the Army, Calcutta, 8th August 1857, No.642; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Madras Presidency.

I have the honor, under instructions from the Commander-in-Chief in Bengal, to forward for submission to the Madras Government, Extracts from Telegrams received by His Excellency from Brigadier General Havelock, C.B. Commanding the moveable Column from Allahabad, expressive of the distinguished conduct of the 1st Madras Fusiliers serving with that Force.

2. I am to add, that it affords Sir Patrick Grant the highest gratification to place before the Commander-in-Chief of the Madras Army, such honorable testimony to the great merit of Brigadier General J.G.S. Neill, and his admirable Regiment--His Excellency much regrets the loss the service has sustained in the death, from his wounds, of Major S.G.C. Renaud.

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Extracts from Telegrams addressed to His Excellency the Commander-in.Chief, by Brigadier General Havelock, C.B. Commanding Moveable Column.

Allahabad, 1st July 1857:- "Colonel Neill is indefatigab

Allahabad, 3rd July 1857:- "Colonel Neill, whose high soldierly qualities, I cannot too highly praise."

Camp Paudoo Nuddee, 15th July 1857:- "At noon we attacked their Entrenchment at the bridge over the stream The resistance here was short, but spirited, and the two Guns taken were of large calibre, Major Renaud is severely wounded. The Madras Fusiliers particularly distinguished themselves."

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Camp Cawnpore, 22nd July 1857:- The gallant Major Renaud died of his wounds yesterday.

Bri adier General Neill and myself are entirely agreed on these measures--I derive from him the most cordial assistance.

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No.99. Page No.2345. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

Order No. 2924 dated 28-8-1857.

The Governor in Council has perused the foregoing papers with the highest gratification.

Tent Lascars engaged for service in Bengal--their rates of pay , &c. fixed.

166. Page No.2458.Military Consultation of 8-9-1957.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, 7th September 1857, No.362; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to the despatch (b) No.904, dated 22nd ultimo, from the Secretary to the Government of India, in the Military Department, and the order of Government thereon, No.2957, dated 29th August, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to state that immediate steps shall be taken to obtain as many Tent Lascars as possible for service in Bengal but previous to their entertainment, it is necessary that this

Department should be in possession of the orders of Government, defining the terms as regards Pay Pension &c. on which the Lascars are to be required to proceed to Bengal. A Lascar marching to any part of India, unless it is specially ruled otherwise, is entitled only to Field Rates of Batta, in addition to His Pay. If he embarks on Foreign Service, a service beyond sea, he gets in addition to his Batta, as above Rations while on Shipboard and on shore and Bountry Clothing and his family get a Pension in the event of his death, though from ordinary disease while so employed.

The Commissary General will be requested to prepare Mucheels and obtain Bearers for Calcutta.

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No.167. Page No.2459. Military Consultation of 8-9-1857.

Order No.3099, 8th September 1857.

Resolved that the Tent Lascars to be engaged for service in Bengal be allowed the same rates of Pay &c. as established for the same class in Pegu.

The terms on which they are to be enlisted, approved.

No.70. Page No.2654. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.
From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 28th September, 1857, No.402, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In continuation of my letter No. 362 dated 7th instant and the orders of Government thereon under date the 8th idem, I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to report for the approval of Government, that it is proposed that Lascars entertained for service in Bengal shall be enlisted on, in every respect, precisely the same terms as regards Pay, Pension, &C. as Tent Lascars of the regular Establishment of this Presidency, that they be enlisted and entered on the Rolls

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as Lascars of this Establishment and that before enlistment they be informed that they will be returned to this Presidency within three years, ~~in~~ unless there shall be urgent necessity for their being detained somewhat longer.

This last is a point, I am directed to remark, on which it will be necessary to give the fullest assurance to the men before enlistment, otherwise there will be, it is to be feared, considerable difficulty experienced in procuring the number of men wanted for Bengal.

Rolls containing full information as to terms of enlistment, will be forwarded with each party of Lascars as it proceeds to Bengal.

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As this class of men is one that serve much under the immediate control of Staff Serjeants and Conductors, His Excellency thinks it would be advantageous to send a Conductor and 3 Line Serjeants with them to Bengal.

No.71. Page No.2654. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

Order No.3369, 29th September 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the whole of the arrangements proposed in the foregoing letter.

2. An Embarkation return is to be forwarded to Government as soon as prepared.

Bengal Presidency--An application for as much as can be spared from Madras for the--referred for the early report of the Commander-in-Chief and Commissary General.

No.161. Page No. 2368.Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 22nd August 1857, No.904, to the Secretaty to Government, Military Department.

I am directed to request that you will move the Right Honorable the Governor in Council of Fort Saint George, to be so good as to cause enquiry to be made as to whether any assistance can be rendered with respect to providing for this Presidency Carriage of any kind for the march of Troops, and also whether the necessary servants for European Troops, Cooks, Sweepers, Bheasties and Officers' servants, as well as Tent Lascars could be engaged for service with the European Regiments expected from England.

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2. I am instructed to request that as much Carriage as can be supplied may be forthwith despatched to this Presidency, so as to be in readiness for the use of the Regiments expected from England, several of which will proceed from the Presidency by land to Benares and Allahabad;- and that the servants asked ~~may~~ for may also be sent to Calcutta, to be in readiness by the beginning of October.

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No.162. Page No.2369. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

Order No.2957, 29th August 1857.

Communicated to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief and to the Commissary General for early report.

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No.163. Page No.2369.Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

163. Feom the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 20th August 1857, No.763, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed to request that the Right Honorable the Governor in Council may be moved to cause 150 Bullocks suitable for Transport Train purposes to be sent as speedily as possible to Calcutta, to enable the Commissariat Department at this Presidency, to meet the very heavy demands made upon it at the present time.

No.164. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.Page No.2369.

Order No. 2958, 29th August 1857.

Communicated to the Ptovincial Commander-in-Chief and Commissary General for immediate attention.

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A supply despatched and more promised... ... ...

No.24. Page No.2402. Military Consultation of 8th Setp.1857.

Extract No.3029, 3rd September 1857.

The Board proceed to pass orders on dispatch from the Honorable the Court of Directors, dated 22nd July 1857, No,92.

1. One copy of the Warrant to be forwarded to the Commander-in-Chief (Deputy Adjutant General Her Majesty's Forces) and another to the Military Auditor General.

Transmit 3 copies of *Royal Warrants regulationg and providing for the Pay and allowances of the Corps of Instructors of Musketry. (*Dated 8th April 1856, 14th February 1857.)

2. The despatch and its enclosures to be published in G.O.* (*Vide Fort Saint George Gazette, 8th September 1857, No.280, page 384.) ----

No.25. Page No.2402. Military Consultation of 8-9-1857.

From the Commissary General 1st September 1857, No.137; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Adverting to the allotment of Carriage ordered by the Government of India for the Pegu Division, I have the honor to request you will submit to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that having foreseen the necessity of assistance from this Coast in the provision of draught Cattle for the Pegu Force, I directed in anticipation of the sanction of Government, the Executive Commissariat Officer at the Presidency to purchase a number of draught Bullocks, and he has accordingly obtained 600 fine Cattle which are now at the Presidency.

G.O.G. No.384, dated 23rd Decr.1856.

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I have received a letter from Captain Harris Acting Assistant Commissary General, copy of which is annexed, making a requisition for 400 head to be sent to Rangoon, but I have now received the order* of Government on two letter s from the Secretary to Government of India making a pressing demand for all kinds of Carriages for Bengal, and the Right Honorable the Governor in Council will be able to decide whether any of the above mentioned 600 Cattle shall be sent to Calcutta.

*Both dated 29th August 1857.

I have in the mean time, ordered the continuance of the purchase of Cattle to meet contingencies--50 very good carts quite new lately constructed and very nearly

finished, are now in the Timber Depot of this Department, they were intended for Pegu, but may be made available for Calcutta if so ordered--I would suggst good serviceable draught Cattle being purchased in different parts of the Country and being sent to the Presidency or Northern Ports for embarkation.

The 600 now on hand are of a superior description, intended for the draught of Guns &c. but an inferior class may be obtained which will doubtless prove very serviceable. The ordinary Bullock carts might also be of much service.

Immediate attention will be directed to the collection of the different description of servants and report will be made from time to time of the number collected.

From the Acting Assistant Commissary General, Rangoon, 6th August 1857, No.678; to the Commissary General, Madras.

I have the honor to state that with the sanction of the Major General Commanding the Diiision, who has intimated to me his orders that no further delay take place in completing the Bearers, Elephant and Public Carriage Establishment, I have ordered Captain Benson Sub-Assistant Commissary General to Calcutta in the Steamer "Baltic" to collect 800 Bearers, 340 Drivers, 100 Mohouts and 150 Cowardies. The receipt of these men will enable me to complete up to the allotment by the time the cold weather sets in.

I annex a copy of a letter I have addressed to the Commissary General, Bengal--it was quite impossible

to have gone on receiving any longer such objectionable miserable speciments of human beings as was sent me by the "Tubalcain," each batch was worse than the former, and I could not take upon myself the responsibility of allowing a continuance of such an enlistment, the Officers of the Bengal Department have other work on their hands now and enough of it.

I shall be glad to receive from you a good batch, say 400 more or less really fine Draught Bullocks--it ... a curious though a well ascertained fact that Indian ... all sorts appear free from, and not liable to ... from the epidemic that sweeps off thousands ...n cattle.

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There are some carts required for Thyatmew--these can hardly be made up in this country and what is called a "Cart Country" in India would be of no use here--Captain Bardin suggests corrugated Iron Carts to be got from some Company, should this not be practicable, 100 carts at least should be sent from Madras--the wheels should be superior and of seasoned, not jungle wood, and above all the axles should be turned at the end--and should work in cast Iron Boxes. I have directed Captain Benson to see if he can do any thing in this matter in Calcutta and if so to communicate with you.

You may rely on my completing the Establishment in time, and to the satisfaction of the General Officer.

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I have 50 Elephant attendants (Mohout Rupees 10-8 and Cowardies 6 Rupees per man. No rations or pension) now at Moulmein, making up furniture for the Elephants--Captain Benson will purchase them, ready to push on to the Frontier the moment the roads open.

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From the Acting Assistant Commissary General, Rangoon, 6th August 1857, No.675; to the Commissary General, Fort William.

I have the honor to state, that as the completion of the Establishment of Followers attached to the Pegu Division, cannot with safety be longer delayed, with the sanction of the General Officer Commanding, I have directed Captain Benson, Sub-Assistant Commissary General to proceed to Calcutta on duty, and in communication with your Department there--and despatch the number of Bearers, Drivers and Elephant attendants wanting to complete. I have determined on this step, in consequence of the useless, and unfit batch of men that were despatched by the "Tubalcain," and partly from the knowledge that your Officers must be now most severely taxed, and that it is hardly fair, or is it possible to expect, that any

of their time can be devoted to our requirements, I there fore sand Captain Benson, and claim for him simply the same kind aid and assistance that was so liberally givem me by the Deputy Commissary General, and Captain Hobday, shdn I visited Calcutta, on duty in January last.

I take this opportunity of stating that I hope to get off per "Baltic" 60 very large Casks whole, and 140 Shakes for Rum which will I trust be very serviceable to your Executive, who I hear are much in need of these articles.

Captain Benson proceeding to Calcutta cancels all my former requisitions for servants on your Department.

A further supply despatched... ... ...

3. Page No.2547.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Commissary General, 12th September 1857, No.147; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

Adverting to the last para, of my communication*, I have the honor to submit for the information of Government, a List of Followers and Officers' Servants collected by the Executive Commissariat Officer at the Presidency for service in Bengal awaiting embarkation, and request the sanction of Government for their being shipped in communication with the Marine Board.

*No.137 dated 1st September 1857.

There are also 40 strong Platform Carts which have been constructed in the Commissariat Timber Depot and 20 other Country Carts, which have been purchased and are also ready for shipment.

List of Public Followers and Officers' Servants entertained and kept in readiness for service in Bengal.

		Rates of Pay per month.			
200	Bheasties...	...10	8	0	each without land Rations
160	Cooks	...12	0	0	
40	Toties	...10	0	0	"
70	Officers' Head servants ...	...17	8	0	"
70	do. Maties	...12	0	0	"

Comsy.Genl.'s Office,
Madras,
12th September 1857.

Sd/ A. McCally, Lieut.Col.
Commissary General.

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No.4.Page No.2547.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

Order No.3220, 16th September 1857.

The Governor in Council gmants authority for the embarkation for Calcutta of the Followers and Servants specified in the List appended to the foregoing letter - as also for the shipment of the Carts referred to.

His Lordship in Council directs thatall necessary Rolls &c. be forwarded by the Commissary General to the Commissary General, Calcutta.

Oсdered that the following letter be despatched.

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Tatoos for Bengal--a suggestion to purchase a number of--approved.

200. Page No.2375.Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Commissary General, 26th August 1857, No.135, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to submit for the consideration of Government the following Extract from a demi-official letter which I have received from Captain Loudon, Assistant Commissary General at Hoonsoor, as it may probably meet the views of Government to collect and hold in reserve transport of every description procurable.

Extract from a Demi-official letter from Captain Laudon, Assistant Commissary General, to the Commissary General, dated Hoonsoor, 21st August 1857.

"As it is probable that among the many demands on you from Bengal, Carriage Cattle may be one, I just drop you a line to say that 200 or 300 Tattoos could be picked up about this part of the Country capable of carrying from 180 to 200 LBS each--the cost at present varies from 10 to 15 Rupees, but would raise to 20 or a little more perhaps, in the event of purchases being made by Government."

No.201. Order No.2976, 1st September 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the measure suggested in the foregoing communication.

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Order, No.2938, 28th August 1857.

The Governor in Council specially sanctions the extension of the indulgence granted by G.O.G. dated 28th July, No.234, to parties not in receipt of the Government allowance.

Refreshments supplied to the 27th N.I. on its arrival for embarkation for Calcutta--the adjustment of the value thereof authorised... ... ...

No.128. Page No.2357.Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st August 1857, No.324; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

On the occasion of the recent movement of the 27th Regiment N.I. from Vellore to Madras, for the purpose of embarking for Calcutta on the same day, the Regiment was on the requisition of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, supplied by the Commissariat Department with refreshments at the Railway Terminus.

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The Commissary General has submitted an Account Particular, copy annexed, of the expenses incurred viz. Rupees 181-7-10 inclusive of the value of Articles supplied from Store, and I have now the honor by desire of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief to solicit the approval of Government to the arrangement, and to request that the Commissary General may be authorised to enter the charge in his accounts.

Account Particular of expenses incurred in providing Refreshments by the Commissariat for the men of the 27th Regiment N.I. at the Railway Terminus on the 30th July.1857.

For 800 Men and 200 Followers.

			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
343	Measures of Rice	Issued from the Stock in Store.		
14	do. Salt			
39	do. Dholl			
90	Pounds of Ghee			
28	Vis. Curry Stuff and Mssals.		7 5 0	
4	Maunds of Tamarind		4 8 0	
500	Billets of Firewood		7 13 3	
	Curries viz. Mutton and Saltfish, Vegetables &c.		27 5 3	
8	Vis of Beetlenut		6 0 0	
28	Bundles of Paunleaves		3 8 0	
22	Vis of Tobacco		11 0 0	
	For 40 Rajapoots.			
50	Lbs of Avil	Issued from the stock in Store.		
10	do. Sugar			
6	Measures of Bhoot gram		0 15 0	

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	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
20 No. of Earthern Pots.	1 8 0	
50 Lbs. of Straw--Issued from the stock in Store		
Ropes, Wooden Ladles, Baskets, etc.	1 14 6	
3 Large and Small Sheds Build	13 13 0	
6 No. of Oven erected for dressing victuals.	4 3 8	
Hire for making curry Stuff Powder	3 0 0	
Coolies Hire for brining the Provisions from the Market.	2 9 11	
2 No. of Carts hire for conveying Tents to and from Railway Terminus to C.E.D.	1 1 0	
Servants.		
3 Bramin Cooks	3 0 0	
9 Malabar do.	9 0 0	
4 Mussulmen do.	4 0 0	
5 Cooly women	0 10 ~~0~~0	
1 Conicopoly for 3 days.	3 0 0	
2 Assistant do. for 3 days.	4 8 0	
2 Weighing Men for 1 day.	1 0 0	
2 Coolies.	0 8 0	
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Total Company's Rupees.		122- 2 7

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N.B. The undermentioned Articles issued from the Stock in Store.

343 Measures of Rice.	26 2 6
14 do. Salt	0 7 11
39 do. Dholl	3 10 6
90 Pounds of Ghee	23 6 5
50 do. Avil	3 2 11
10 do. Sugar	1 1 0
50 do. Straw	1 6 0
Rupees ..	59 5 3

Commy. General's Office,
Madras, 8th August 1857.

Sd./W. Newlyn, Captain,
D.A.C. General.

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No.129. Page No.2358, Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

Order No.2939, 28th August 1857.

Approved, and authorised as requested.

Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers Establishment of--
increased for service in Bengal and China... ... ...

No.65. Page No.2497. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Commissary General, 4th September 1857, No.141; to the Military Secretary to Government.

I have the honor to state for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that 1 conductor is required to be attached to the Madras Troops and Commissariat Native Followers with the Force in China, 1 Conductor and 2 Staff Serjeants for the Troops of this Presidency now serving and about to proceed to Bengal on Field service, and 2 Staff Serjeants for the Moveable Column under Brigadier Whitlock, to enable this Department to perform the duties required from it with efficiency.

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The Establishment of Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers of the Commissariat is just sufficient for the demands of the service in time of peace, and not capable of meeting any claims made for the exigencies of War, and with reference to G.O.G., I have the honor to solicit the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council will be pleased to sanction the number of Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers applied for that this branch of the Commissariat Department may be kept always in an effective state for their special service.

3rd June 1826, Para 2.

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1 Conductor is already in China but returning sick, and 2 Serjeants with the Moveable Column of Brigadier Whitlock and the Warrant and Non-Commissioned Officers for Field service in Bengal will be detailed to accompany the Troops under orders and about to proceed to Calcutta.

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No.66. Page No.2498. Military Consultation of 16-9-1857.

Order No.3156, 14th September 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the following addition to the Establishment of the Commissariat Department, as a temporary arrangement for the particular duties specified.

2. Conductors.
4. Staff Serjeants.

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Troops--Orders issued for increasing those at... ....

No.213. Page No.2618, Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 4th September, 1857, No.144; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

The Lieutenant Governor of Bengal having represented the necessity of strengthening the Madras Troops at Cuttack, to admit of a detachment being sent thence to Sumbulpore for the protection of that District threatened by pretenders to the Raj, I am directed to request that you will move the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to send a wing of a Regiment of Infantry from Berhampore or elsewhere to

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Cuttack as soon as possible, provided that the state of the Northern Districts of the Madras Presidency will admit of the weakening to that extent of the Garrison theren.

Referred to the Commander-in-Chief.

16th September 1857.

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No.214. Page No.2619.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st September 1857, No.383; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

8 I have the honor by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to inform you, that orders have been despatched this day "express" to the Officer Commanding Northern Division, to despatch a wing of the 5th N.I. from Berhampore to Cuttack to strengthen the latter post, agreeably to the request contained in Colonel Birch's letter, dated 4th instant.

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No.215. Page No.2619. Military Consultation of 22-9-1857. From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 22nd September 1857, No.3314; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

In reply to your letter, dated 4th September 1857, No;144, I am directed to state for the information of the Government of India, that ~~the~~ orders were forwarded by express on the 21st instant to the officer Commanding Northern Division to dispatch a wing of the 5th Regiment M.N.I. from Berhampore to Cuttack.

Lascars embarked for Calcutta with the A. Company 3rd Battalion Artillery--advances to be made to their families until--are received from them... ... ...

No.48. Page No.2490. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, 8th September 1857, No.364; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

It has been brought to the notice of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief,

*No.595 Veraswamy.
No.663 Senjevee.
No. 914 Verapen.

that the Families of three* Tent Lascars, who embarked with the A. Company 3rd Battalion Artillery at Bombay, for Calcutta in May last, are suffering great distress,

in consequence of an omission on the part of the Officer Commanding the Company, to provide them with Family Certificates. He has been called upon to rectify this omission, and the Depy. Assistant Quarter Master General, Ceded Districts, has been making small monthly advances to the families in the meanwhile. His Excellency has directed me to recommend, that Major Dallas be authorized to make monthly advances, not exceeding three Rupees to each family, pending the receipt of the Family Certificates, and that those already made, may be sanctioned--The amount of advances to be eventually recovered from the men's pay.

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No.49. Page No. 2490. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Order No. 3148, 12th September 1857

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Bengal Batteries-- Correspondence respecting a supply of--
for... ... ...

No.116. Page No.2527. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 6th August 1857, No.265; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed to transmit to you, the accompanying copy of a letter from the Inspector General of Ordnance No.1870 of the 4th August 1857, and to request that the Government of Fort Saint George may be moved to affod all the aid that it may be in their power to give, in regard to the supply of Harness for Bengal from the Manufactories at that Presidency.

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, 4th August 1857, No.1870; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am sorry to say that Messrs.Teil& Co., the Harness Contractors, are so badly off for Hides in consequence of the state of affairs in the upper Provinces, that they will probably be obliged to stopw work in the course of 3 months.

2. I therefore propose to send to Madras and to Bombay, musters of our Bengal Harness, and to request assistance from the Manufactories at those Presidencies.

3. It appears by a letter lately received from the Inspector General of Ordnance Madras, that Harness for

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Light Field Batteries is not made at the Manufactory, of Cavalry and Horse Artillery horse appointments.

4. I should however think, that the Manufactory might afford us aid without injury to the Colonels on whose account it is maintained, as a liberal allowance would no doubt be made to the Officers who hold contracts in the mounted branch of the Madras Army.

Bengal Presidency--Orders on a requisition for--for the...

No.93. Page No.2520.Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Agent for Remounts, Ossoor, 2nd September 1857, No.247; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to Para 4 of the orders of Government Dated 25th August 1857, No.2866(a) as per margin, I have the honor to state for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that I have now at this Depot 19 field Battery Horses, of which 13 are ready for immediate service and will be forwarded to the Officer Commanding Artillery in Bangalore when required--the remaining 6 will also be forwarded as soon as they have recovered from castration--

(a)Vide Cons.25-8-1857 Nos.96 & 97.
"The Remount Agent will give such assistance as may be in his power in procuring Horses.".

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there are also 9 cast horses from the 8th Light Cavalry considred fit for Field-Field Batteries on their way here from Arcot--on their arrival, they can also be handed over to the Officer Commanding Artillery in Bangalore for the new Batteries, making a total of 28 horses.

I further beg to state that I shall make every exertion in my power to procure horses to mount the above Batteries.

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No.94. Page No.2520. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Order No.3167. 14th September 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief--whom the Remount Agent is requested to keep informed of his progress in procuring Battery Hourses.

No.148. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.Page No.2539.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 8th September 1857, No.363; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

As it is very desirable that the 2nd Dragoon Guards, which may be expected in Calcutta about the 10th of November, should be ready for service at the earliest period practicable, I am desired to request that the Government of Fort Saint George will be so good as to direct as many horses as can be spared to Calcutta, in order that they may be forwarded to Allahabad to be there trained by the party of the Regiment expected by the overland route for that purpose.

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2. The Military Train, about 250 strong, recently arrived from England and converted into a Cavalry Corps, has been mounted on the homses of the 8th Light Cavalry, The remainder of the homses of that Corps and some few from the Ghazeepore Stud areavailable for the 2nd Dragoon Guards, but there are no means open in Bengal of procuring more horses. The Governor General in Council therefore must trust to the Government of Madras to supply as many horses fit for Dragoon purposes as can be spared, and His Lordship in Council begs that all that can be given may be sent to Calcutta as soon as possible.

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No.149. Page No.2539. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Otder No. 3198, 15th September 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief and to the Remount Agent who will report as soon as practicable to what extent it may be practicable to supply Honses for Dragoon Service in Bengal.

No.153. Page No.2684. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

From the Agent for Remounts, Ossoor, 10th September 1857, No.284; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In acknowledging the receipt of Extract from Minutes

No.3198, dated 15th September 1857.
"The Remount Agent will report as soon as practicable, to what extent it may be practicable to supply Horses for Dragoon Service in Bengal."

Memorandum.

Horses fit for Dragoon or Horse Artillery.	800
Do. fit for Light Cavalry	180
Do. fit for Field Battery	25
viz.	
Cast from the C. Troop Honse Artillery 9.	
Purchased from Dealers 16;	
Sick and too young	25.
	1,030

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of Consultation, I have the honor to annex a Memorandum shewing the number of Horses now on hand at this Depot, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, out of the 1,030 Horses 800 are fit for Dragoons, 180 fit for Light Cavalry, 25 fit for Field Battery, the remaining 25 are sick and too young for immediate service--The whole of the above 800 Dragoon Horses are required to mount the Officers and men of H.M.'s Dragoon expected from England, the 180 Light Cavalry Horses will be required to meet the demand for tee Remount of the season 1857, 1858.

Under these circumstances, I regret to state that it is not practicable for this Depot to supply and Dragoon Horses to the Bengal Government.

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No.154. Page No.2684. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

Order No.3397, 29th September 1857.

Ordered that the Remount Agent be directed to use every exertion to procure Horses for the Bengal Presidency--and that the following letter be despatched.

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No.155. Page No.2684. Military Consultation of 29-7-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 29th September 1857, No.3398; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

*Applying for Horses for Dragoon service in Bengal.

In reply to your *letter dated 8th September 1857, No.363, I am directed to report for the information of the Government of India, that every exertion will be made to obtain Horses for the Bengal Presidency--but that at present there are none to spare.

8th Light Cavalry--despatched to Bengal--measures adopted for their care during their passage approved... ... ...

No.19. Page No.2320. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 20th August 1857, No.965; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Lieut. Hare, 17th Regt. N.I. proceeding to join his Corps.
2 Subalterns,
1 Staff Serjeant,
1 Farrier Major
8 Farriers with full supply of Veterinary Implements.
8th Regiment Light Cavalry.

In continuation of my letter No.964 of this date, I have the honor to report for the information of Government that to secure the Hourses under o ders of shipment for Calcutta being properly caref for, the

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Provincial Commander-in-Chief has thought it desirable to order a detail as per margin to proceed to Calcutta in charge of them, a measure which Major General Beresfod trusts will meet with the approval of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

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Order No.2887, 26th August 1857.

Approved.

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Volunteer Guards--Orders issued for the care and keep of--made available for the. ... ...

No.109. Page No.2665. Military Consultation of 29-9-1857.

Extract No.3400, 29th September 1857.

From the Commandant Volunteer Guards, dated 2-9-1857.	Recorded in Con.15-9-1857 Vide Nos.146 & 147.	Read again the Paper noted in the Margin.

Ordered that the horses referred to be placed under change of Veterinary Surgeon Pritchard of the Body Guard in communication with the Commandant of the Cavalry Volunteer Guards.

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Correspondence between the Resident and Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force respecting the conduct of the latter as a promoter of Missionary labors at Secunderabad forwarded to the Government of India.

No.54. Page No.2329. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

Memo from the Adjutant General of the Army,18th August 1857, No.300.

The Provincial Commander-in-Chief has the honor to forward for such consideration as His Lordship and Council may wish to bestow upon it, the accompanying copies of correspondence from the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

From the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary, Force, Secunderabad, 8th August 1857, No.83; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have the honor to request you will submit to the Commander-in.Chief the accompanying copy of a letter from the Resident of Hyderabad to my address and my reply theeto.

I am sure I need not make any remark on the extraordinary character of Colonel Davidson's communication as contained in the 2nd and following paras, I would merely allude to his manner of reasoning:--In the 2nd para. of his letter he says "you have long most properly put yourself at the head &c." and in the 3rd para. "that at the present

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time no Military Officer holding a high position ought to come prominently forward," so that according to Colonel Davidson's reasoning; every Christian Gentleman in a high position would have to change his religion according to the tone of the native mind.

I do not know if "indiscreet zeal and indulgence of our own feelings" are applied to myself, but I think it right to disclaim that which Colonel Davidson has put upon me in saying, that I am the head of all religious matters and Missionary labors at Secunderabad, it is what I have always on principle wished to avoid--and the monthly Missionary meeting alluded to, as held at my house is so, merely for the convenience of those who attend from Bolarum, and was for some time held at the house of another Gentleman, until a change was

made as above.

From the Resident Hyderabad, 7th August 1857, No.372, to the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad.

As on several occasions lately the Subsidiary Force has been out under Arms for route march with their full comprement of Ammunition and as every transaction in your Cantonment is watched and canvassed in the City of Hyderabad and the assembly of Troops before day break with all their Ammunition complete, is viewed suspiciously by the Native Gove nment and may lead to commotion, as it has on several occasions to panic among the more peaceable inhabitants, would strongly advise the discontinuance for the present of this mode of parade, unless absolutely requisite for the proper discipline of the Hyderabad Subsidia

Force, and then that the preparations for the march should take place after day light, by which every one would know its purpose and objects of hostility, could not by any possibility be attributed to us, which if improperly represented might; lead to very dangerous consequences at the present time.

2. There is another subject I approach with some diffidence, but I feel that any delicacy to you personally ought not to interfere with my duty to Government. You have long most properly put yourself at the head of all religious matters and Missionary labors at Secunderabad and public meetings for the assistance and progress of Missions are monthly held at your house, one only a few days ago and I myself was invited by you about two months since to attend and promised to do so on a favorable opportunity.

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3. Now it is quite clear to me that at the present time in India no Political or Military Officer holding a high position or authority under Government, ought to come prominently forward as the promoter of Missions and particularly just now at Hyderabad.

4. I know how difficult it is to draw the line, but an indiscreet zeal and indulgence of our own feelings on this point, is likely instead of furthering, to injure the cause we all have so much at heart, and to endanger the lives of the whole community by provoking a religious cry and war against us, I would therefore earnestly advise and suggest to you to refrain from being the actually acknowledged leader of such movements till the present crisis is over in India.

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5. Many Officers of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force have I understand, recommended their Sepoys to refrain at the approaching great religious Mahomedan festival of the Mahorum from joining in the usual processions, towhich they have I understand with most proper feeling readily assented. I would ask you then to contrast this proceeding just now with the Missionary movements of our religious community at Secunderabad.

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From the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad, 8th August 1857, No.82; to the British Resident, Hyderabad.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 872, of the 7th instant, and in reply to the 1st para. thereof to inform you, that as this Force turning out for route march with its full complement of Ammunition, ascribes some stir in the City of Hyderabd, I shall agreeably to your suggestion discontinue for the present this Parade for the Troops under my Command.

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In regard to the 2nd and following paras. of your letter, I would beg to say that there is no reason for making any alteration in what has been my practice for many years past, and that were I to do so at this present juncture, the very natives whom you desire to propitiate thereby, would deservedly hold me or any other Christian Gentleman who might so act, in the utmost contempt.

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No.55. Page No.2331. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 26th August 1857, No.2903; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

I am directed to forward copy of the correspondence

From the Resident, dated 7-8-1857, No.872
" Officer Commanding H.S. Force, dated 8-8-1857, No.82 with letter to the Adjutant General from the Officer Commanding H.S. Force, dated 8-7-1857, No.83.

noted in the margin, between the Resident at Hyderabad and the Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

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Moveable Column--Measures adopted by the Officer Commanding the--to meet any outbreak at this station... ... ...

No.4. Page No.2397. Military Consultation of 8-9-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 29th August 1857, No.343, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

By order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, a memorandum of arrangements made by Brigadier Whitlock, Commanding Moveable Column, for the protection of Kurnool, in the event of an out-break.

I am directed to request you will be so good as to bring to the especial notice of Government, the 8th para. of the memo. in which it is set forth that the

Government Agent states he has no adequate means for protecting the Jail.

Memorandum of arrangements made by Brigadier Whtlock, Commanding Moveable Column for the protection of Kurnool in the event of an out-break.

1. The 49th Regiment N.I. with the exception of one Company to have their arms removed from the Barracks, and lodged in Tents between the men's Lines and the Public Bungalow, European Officers either in Tents or to occupy the Bungalow.

2. One Company with a European Officer to remain in the place of Arms in the Fort which is fixed on as the resort of the families living in the Fort, in the event of an out-break.

3. The Treasury to be removed into a building which has been consid red suitable; two Companies of the 49th Regiment to be pitched close to the same for its protection, as well as that of the spare ammunition of the 49th Regiment for which a temporary Magazine has been constructed by t e Engineer Officer attached to the Moveable Column.

4. The few sick of the 49th Regiment have been removed from the Fort and placed under convenient shelter outside.

5. A Division of Fort Artillery has been placed at the Disposal of the Officer Commanding Kurnool, to whom it has been recommended that they should be placed in such positiion as to command the two Gates on the west face of the Fort.

6. Colonel Hewetson will use his own discretion as to strength of the Guard for the protection of the Lines, and the Officer Commanding the Artillery has been directed to make himself perfectly acquainted with the locality of the Sepoy's lines.

7. Colonel Hewetson will also judge of the expediency of posting an out lying picquet in the vicinity of the Roman Catholic Chapel.

8. Of the necessity of keeping a strict watch over the Jail therecan be no doubt, and as the Government Agent states that he has no adequate means for protecting it, and there being no other place to which the Prisoners can be removed, Brigadier Whtloc is reluctantly compelled to

contineu the Military Guard over it; the wall have been loopholed, the Jailor is a fine old Soldier, and has the firmness to carry out such orders as the Government Agent may give him should be Prisoners shew the least disposition to be troublesome; all other Guards have been removed, and Brigadier Whitlock hopes for the assistance of the Peons and Kurnool Horse to keep the peace in the Town.

9. The Camp will shift ground daily remaining within a very short distance of Kurnool.

10. These arrangements are to take place this evening.

11. The Officer Commanding the Moveable Column may

perhaps be permitted to suggest to the Commissioner that these are merely precautionary measures, in the event of a disturbance, and not with the intention of creating unnecessary alarm in the minds of the European inhabitants.

Sd. G. Whitlock, Brigadier,
Commanding Moveable Column.

Camp Kurnool,
21st August 1857.

No.5. Order No.3016, 3rd September 1857.

Recorded.

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Troops--The return of the two Companies of the 49th Native Infantry to--approved, Commander-in-Chief.

No.9. Page No. 2624. Military Consultation of 29-1-1857.

Extract Mins.Cons.Judl.Department, Approving of the 2 Companies of the 49th Regiment returning to Kurnool, if the Military authorities do not consider them now required at Moorcondah.	Here enter 23rd September 1857, No.1215.

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Order No. 3327, 24th September 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief.

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Brigade for Bengal--Captain Watts 27th Native Infantry appointed Commissariat Officer to the... ... ...

No.6. IInd Para.Page No.2549.Military Consultarion of 22-9-1857

~~From the Commissary General, Madras, 25th August 1857, No.2180, to the Adjutant General of the Army.~~

Adjutant General's Office, Fort St.George, 26th August 1857. Submitted the following letter to the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, from the Commissary General, No.2180, dated 25th August 1857.

Provincial Commander-in-Chief's order thereon.

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States with reference to the Minutes of Consultation directing him to send to Bengal to be attached to the Madras Brigade serving there, the necessary number of Officers of his Department--Submits the difficulty he experiences in selecting experienced Officers without denuding other posts--Requests under the exigencies of the case, he may be allowed to employ Captin Watts of the 27th Regiment Native Infantry, as Commissariat Officer in the Brigade in which his Regiments is serving and is now proceeding to Calcutta to join.	Major General Beresford has no objection

to the proposed arrangement.

Sd./ W.G. Woods. Lieut.Col.
Adjutant General of the Army

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Provisions for the --Orders issued for storing, approved.

No.37. Page No.2326. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Commissary General, 18th August 1857, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that in anticipation of His Lordship's sanction, I have addressed letters* to the Commissariat Officers at Bangalore, Bellary, Nellore and Secunderabad, requesting them to consult with the Commanding Officers of those Military posts on the propriety of laying in a stock of provisions for the Moveable Column, or to meet other contingencies.

*Dated 8th August 1857 (copy of which is annexed.)

2. I consider that even should the Country around those stations remain perfectly quiet, at least one month's supply of grain and other indespensable articles for 2,000 men should be stored and held in reserve, and I trust His Lordship in Council will approve of these precautions.

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5th Native Infantry from Berhampore to Kamptee-objections raised to its being moved, referred for the Commander-in-Chief's observations.

No.63. Page No.2496. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 1st September 1857, No.123; to the Secretary to Government Military Department.

I have the honor, to transmit, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, a copy of the correspondence noted on the margin.*

*Brigadier Prior to Commissioner, No.223, of this date.
Extracts from Colonel Millar's Demi-official letter to Brigadier Prior, dated the 27th Ultimo.
Commissioner to Brigadier Prior, No.50 of this date.

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2. The Government are doubtless aware that the route from Berhampore to Kamptee is most difficult and deadly in the months of September and October--Unless therefore some urgent necessity exists for pushing up the 5th Native Infantry at once, of which I am not aware, it would be better, at all events, to defer its march until a later period of the year--If the Regiment were to start at once, I fear it would arrive here in a very weak state from sickness and causualties.

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From the Officer Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 1st September 1857, No.223, to the Commissioner Nagpore.

I have the honor to forward for your information copy of a Demi-official communication from Colonel Millar, Commanding the Nagpore Moveable Column, dated 27th Ultimo, showing how very desirable it is that Infantry reinforcements should be sent to the Column as soon as possible.

2. I beg also to forward a Telegraphic Message just received from the Adjutant General of the Madras Army, intimating that the 5th Madras Native Infantry has been ordered to Kamptee. This Regiment is now at Berhampore.

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3. With your concurrence I propose at once relieving the Detachments of the 33rd Regiment Madras Native Infantry, at Baitool and Seonee, by similar parties from the 26th Regiment, and pushing on the former to Dumoh to join the Column--The Military duties of Seetabuldee and Kamptee to be carried on by our remaining available Troops, such portion of the Seetabuldee Field Force as you can spare being recalled to strengthen Kamptee.

4. Should it become necessary after these arrangements are effected to strengthen the Sebundy Corps, I feel assured you will support the measure.

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Extracts from Colonel Millar's Demi-official letter to Brigadier Prior, dated 27th August 1857.

A great many men are required to protect the Engineer and Artillery parks and the Commissioner's Treasury and Camp--The 33rd can only muster about 350 effective men--If you could possibly manage to send on the 2 Companies at Baitool and the one at Seonee, I should feel very much obliged to you--they might be relieved by the Hyderabad Contingent that are coming up.-I do not think it would be advisable to send any Poorbias North of the Nerbudda.

P.S. We shall be obliged to leave a Detachment at Nowtah, so you will understand how absolutely necessary it is that we should be reinforced speedily.

From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 1st September 1857, No.50, to the Officer Commanding Nagpore Force.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 223, of this date, and in reply to express my entire concurrence in your proposal to relieve the 3 Companies of the 33rd Regiment at Baitool and Seonee by 3 Companies from the 26th Regiment at Kamptee, and to push them on to join the Moveable Column, the Seetabuldee Field Force being at the same time reduced to such extent as may be practicable, in order to strengthen Kamptee, as arranged between us this morning.

2. If it should be found necessary hereafter to supply the place of the 3 additional Companies, now to be

detached from the Kamptee Force for service in the Saugor and Nerbudda Territories, by increasing the Sebundy Corps, I shall be prepared to sanction the measure.

3. It may be as well to notice, that Colonel Millar's letter gives a very inadequate notion of the Infantry strength of the Moveable Column under his command--Besides 7 Companies of his own Regiment, the 33rd, which if complete should muster not 350, but 490 men, he has 2 Companies of the Madras, 28th from Nursingpore and the Rifle Company of the 1st Nagpore Irregula Infantry--The 3 Companies of the 33rd now about to join will complete that Regiment, and increase his Infantry strength to a Regiment and 3 Companies, or about 900 men at 70 men to a Company--I put the Bengal Infantry employd on the same service, in co-operation, though not in conjuncti with the Moveable Column, out of the question.

4. With respect to the Telegraph Message of the 26th ultimo, from the Adjutant General of the Madras Army, which conveys the first intimation to me and apparently to yourself, that the 5th Madras Native Infantry has been ordered to Kamptee from Berhampore near Ganjam on the Madras Eoast, I must presume that the order has been issued in consequence, of Colonel Millar's representations of the weakness of the Moveable Column in Infantry, and of your representations of the weakness of the 26th Regiment at Kamptee-Proceeding upon this presumption, I would observe that Colonel Millar's Column, which is now about to receive an addition of 3 Companies of Infantry, might be more conveniently reinforced further from the Hyderabad Contingent Troops at Edulabad, and that, for the present, the numerical deficiency in the 26th Regiment has been

sufficiently compensated for by the Sebundy Corps, which might, if necessary, be increased to the full strength of a Madras Regiment, namely, 700 men, the present number being 500. The Outposts in the Saugor and Nerbudda Territories might also be reinforced, if that is desired, more conveniently from the Troops at Edulabad.

5. Unless therefore there are other reasons, unknown to me for moving up the 5th Regiment to Kamptee, it appears to me a measure of very questionable expediency to march that Regiment a distance of some 600 miles through a very difficult and unhealthy Country, at the most difficult season, and in the sickliest months, namely, September and October.

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6. The 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry at Cuttack, has lately been weakened by the Detachment of 2 Companies on service to Sumbulpore, and it is possible that it may be necessary to make further calls upon that Regiment for service in the same or some other direction; I would therefore suggest, as a preferable mode of co-operation with the measures in progress, or which may become necessary in the Bengal Presidency, that the 5th Regiment should be marched to Cuttack, a distance of only 116 miles over a good road, whence it would be in a position to afford aid any where in the Cuttack Province, or in Midnapore, or to move upwards; either from Calcutta via Midnapore, or in this direction via Sumbulpore and Raepore, both these latter being places of importance where Troops might be needed.

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7. I propose to transmit a copy of your letter and of this reply, for the information of the Madras Government.

P.S. The orginal Telegraph Message which accompanied your letter is herewith returned, a copy having been kept.

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5th and 43rd Regiments native Infantry--The movements of these Corps postponed--approved... ... ...

85. Page No.2574.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857

Telegram.

From Resident Hyderabad, 11th September 1857; to Lord Harris.

The following message has just reached me from the Commissioner of Nagpore for transmission to you.

"With reference to my letter No.123 dated 3rd instant, if the Government should resolve on moving up the 5th regiment at this season, I beg that it may be ordered to march via Sumbulpore and Raepore in order that its services maybe available at those places if requested."

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From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 14th September 1857, No.370; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In forwarding the enclosed copies of correspondence between Brigadier Prior, Commanding Nagpore Force, and the Commissioner of Nagpore, on the subject of the strength of the Infantry with Colonel Millar's Column, I am desired by the Commander-in-Chief to say, that His Excellency is not aware under what circumstances the 5th Regiment Native Infantry was ordered to Kamptee, but if on the requisition of Colonel Millar, General Grant considers that it should have been made through the Brigadier Commanding the Force, and as both the Brigadier and Commissioner concur, in thinking that the Regiment is

not wanted, it appears desirable, His Excellency is of opinion, that the Corps should not be moved such a long distance, through a very unhealthy country at this season, if aid is required at Cuttack, a Detachment could easily be sent from Berhampore, and the 5th and 434d stand fast for the present.

From the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 3rd September 1857, No.113, to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

Letter No.22r. dated 1st September 1857, from Brigadier Prior to Commissioner Nagpore, proposes to relieve the Baitool and Seonie Detachments and send reinforcements to the K amptee Column, also apprises the Commissioner of the march of the 5th Madras Native Infantry on to Kamptee has been Telegraphed to him.

Colonel Millar's demi-official dated 27th August 1857, applies to Brigadier Prior for more Infantry to join the Column.

Letter No.50 dated 1st September 1857, from Commander of Nagpore to Brigadier Prior, approves of the relief of Baitool and Seonie Detachments and intimates his intention to write to Madras Government on the subject of the March of the 5th Madras Native Infantry which he thinks should be sent to Cuttack and not to Kamptee.

I have the honor to forward for your information copies of correspondence on the subject of reinforcing the Infantry portion of the Kamptee Column and regarding the march of

the 5th Madras Native Infantry to Kamptee.

From the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee, 1st September 1857, No.223, to the Commissioner Nagpore.

I have the honor to forward for your information copy of a demi-official communication from Colonel Millar, Commanding Nagpore Moveable Column, dated 27th ultimo, shewing how very desirable it is that Infantry re-inforcements should be sent to the Column, as soon as possible.

2. I beg also to forward a Telegraph message, just received, from the Adjutant General of the Madras Army, intimating that the 5th Madras Native Infantry has been ordered to Kamptee. This Regiment is now e

at Berhampore.

3. With your concurrence I purpose at once relieving the Detachments of the 33rdMadras Native Infantry at Baitool and Seonie by similar parties from the 26th Regiment, and pushing on the former to Dumoh to join the Column.-The Military duties at Seetabuldee and Kamptee to be carried on by our remaining available Troops, such portion of the Seetabuldee Field Force as you can spare being recalled to strengthen Kamptee.

4. Should it become necessary after these arrangements are effected to strengthen the Sebundy Corps, I feel assured you will support the measure.

Camp Jubbara,
27th August 1857.

My Dear Brigadier,

We arrived here yesterday evening and proceed on to Nowtah to-morrow morning, and from thence to Dumoh and Garracottah. There is a large force of the Rebels at the latter place and they are we hear making preparations to meet us, so that I should not wonder if they stood their ground as the Fort is a very strong position. They got the entire possession of the Dumoh and Saugor Districts and would no doubt have looted the Kuttinger and Jubbulpoor Districts, had not our force advanced. I detached a flanking party from Kuttinger, consisting of the Rifle Company with Jenkins and Pinkney, who are to rejoin us tomorrow at Nowtah. The rebels were

to have advanced Terjghur and looted that and another place near were there was a rich Mahagum, but I fancy this flanking movement, and, our advance upon Nowtah will have prevented that--I heard after our arrival here yesterday evening, that the Rajah of Maunghur was sending a party of 400 men to burn the Boats ~~and~~ at Nowtah and seize the Ferry, I immediately sent on a Troop of Cavalry and the 28th Detachment to secure that post which they have done. A great many men are required to protect the Engineer and Artillery parks and the Commissioner's Treasury and Camp. The 33rd can only muster about 350 effective men. If you could possibly manage to send on the two Companies at Baitool and the one at Seonie, I shall feel very much obliged to you. They might be relieved by the Hyderabad

Contingent that are coming up. I do not think it would be advisable to send any Poorbeeahs north of the Nerbuddah. I am very sorry we are not to have the Head Quarters of the 4th Cavalry.

I have just heard that one of the Elephants sent to Seonie to bring on the Mortars has died at Lucknagoun and we have no other to re-place him.

Believe me,

Yours sincerely,

Sd.J. Millar.

P.S. We shall be obliged to leave a detachment at Nowtah so you will understand how absolutely necessary it is that we should be reinforced speedily.

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From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 1st September 1857, No.50; to the Brigadier Commanding Nagpore Force, Kamptee.

I have the honor to acknowedge the receipt of your letter No.223 of this date, and, in reply to express my entire concurrence in your proposal to relieve the 3 Companies of the 33rd Regiment at Baitool and Seonee by 3 Companies from the 26th Regiment at Kamptee, and to push them on to join the Moveable Column, the Seetabuldee Field Force being at the same time reduced to such an extent as may be practicable, in order to strengthen Kamptee as arranged between us this morning.

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2. If it should be found necessary hereafter to supply the place of the 3 additional Companies now to be detached from the Kamptee Force, for service in the Saugor and Nerbudda Territories, by increasing the Sebundy Corps, I shall be prepared to sanction the measure.

3. It may be as well to notice that Colonel Millar's letter gives a very inadequate notion of the Infantry strength of the Moveable Column under his Command--Besides 7 Companies of his own Regiment, the 33rd, which if complete, should muster not 350 but 490 men, he has 2 Companies of the Madras 28th From Nursingpore and the Rifle Company of the 1st Nagpore Irregular Infantry--

The three Companies of the 33rd now about to join will complete that Regiment, and increase his Infantry strength to a Regiment and 3 Companies, or about 900 men, at 70 men to a Company. I put the Bengal Infantry, employed on the same service in co-operation though not in conjunction with the Moveable Column, out of the question.

4. With respect to the Telegraph Message of the 26th ultimo, from the Adjutant General of the Madras Army which conveys the first intimation to me, and apparently to yourself, that the 5th Madras Native Infantry has been ordered to Kamptee from Berhampore near Ganjam, on the Madras Coast--I must presume that the order has been issued

in consequence of Colonel Millar's representations of the weakness of the Moveable Column in Infantry, and of your representations of the weakness of the 26th Regiment at Kamptee. Proceeding upon this presumption I would observe that Colonel Millar's Column which is now about to receive an addition of 3 Companies of Infantry, might be more conveniently reinforced further from the Hyderabad Contingent Troops at Edulabad, and that, for the present, the numerical deficiency in the 26th Regiment has been sufficiently compensated for, by the Senundy Corps, which might, if necessary, be increased to the full strength of a Madras Regiment, namely, 700 men, the present number being 500. The Outposts in the Saugor and Nerbudda Territories might also be re-inforced, if that is desired, more conveniently from the Troops at Edulabad.

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5. Unless therefore there are other reasons, unknown to me, for moving up the 5th Regiment to Kamptee, it appears to me a measure of very questionable expediency to march that Regiment a distance of some 600 miles to a very difficult and unhealthy country, at the most difficult season, and in the sickliest months, namely September and October.

6. The 40th Regiment Madras Native Infantry at Cuttack has lately been weakened by the Detachment of 2 Companies on service to Sumbulpore, and it is possible that it may be necessary to make further calls upon the Regiment for service in the same or some other direction, I would therefore suggest as a preferable mode of co-operation with the measures in progress, which may become

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necessary in the Bengal Presidency, that the 5th Regiment should be marched to Cuttack, a distance of only 116 Miles over a good road, whence it would be in a position to afford aid any where in the Cuttack Province, or in Midnapore; or to move upwards either from Calcutta via Midnapore or in this direction via Sumbulpore and Raipore, both these latter being places of importance where troops might be needed.

7. I propose to transmit a copy of your letter and of this reply for the information of the Madras Government.

P.S. The orginal Telegrah Message which accompanied your letter is herewith returned, a copy having been kept.

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No.87.Page No.2576.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 17th September 1857, No.373; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to Government copies of correspondence from the General Officer Commanding Northern Division, regarding the march of 5th Regiment N.I., to Kamptee and 43rd Regiment, N.I. to Berhampore--I am desired to say, that these movements were countermanded by Express on the 15th instant.

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From the Officer Commanding Northern Division, Waltair, 12th September 1857, No.366; to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

In forwarding by Express the accompanying letter No.189, dated 10th instant, and its annexment from Colonel Shubrick, Commanding 5th Regiment N.I. ~~do~~ I do myself the honor to acquaint you for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that I have postponed the march of the Corps for one or two days in order to afford time for an answer to be received from Army Head Quarters, in case His Excellency should consider the information afforded by Mr. Cockburn to be of that importance as to render it necessary to delay the march of the Regimant until a more favorable season.

2. Colonel Shurbci has reported that the circumstance of the Families being allowed to accompany the Regiment will prove no obstacke to an early supply of the Carriage required, and that it can commence its march on the 20th instant.

3. I beg further to mention that consequent on the above arrangement, I have deemed it advisable to keep back the 43rd Regiment until the expected reply to this letter reaches me--under any circumstances the Corps would not have moved from this before the 18th of the month for want of Carriage.

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By Express--from the Officer Commanding 5th Regiment N.I. Berhampore, 10th September 1857, No.189; to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

I have the honor to forward for submission to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, a letter received this day from the Superintendent Tributary Mehals deeming the information relative to the deadliness of the Jungles through which the Regiment has to pass, a subject for His Excellency's consideration.

The information required in the second para. of the letter has been forwarded, also a list of the kinds and quantity of Provisions which will be required.

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From the Superintendent Tributary Mehals, Cuttack, 7th September 1857, No.116, to the Officer Commanding 5th Regiment M.N.I. Berhampore.

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt this day of your letter No.181, dated the 2nd instant, intimating the intended march of the Regiment under your Command and requesting that supplies may be ordered at the several stages named, and in reply to submit the following observations.

2. The names of the Stages at which the Regiment will halt between the Madras frontier and Pudumtolao are not stated in your letter.

3. A list of the quantities and kinds of provisions required has not been furnished.

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4. I beg the favor of your supplying these omissions at your earliest convenience.

5. It is my duty to inform you that although no exertions on my part will be spared, it is very doubtful whether supplies will be ready at some of the Stages in the Tributary Mehals.

6. The Country is jungly and mountainous, and any surplus Stocks there may be, are usually eaten off, exported or planted long before this time of the year, so that, I apprehend there may not difficulties only, but an impossibility to procure the supplies at some places.

7. I therefore strongly recommend your taking on a stock sufficient for 2 or 3 days' consumption from every

Stage, unless when there, you are assured of supplies being at the Stages in advance.

8. The 1st Stage noted in your letter Pudumtolao a place in the confines of the territories of the Raja of Duspulla and Boad. There are no daks to these places and the Perwanahs will not reach in less than 12 of 15 days after which the supplies will have to be collected from a number of Villages and sen off considerable distances at a season of the year, the unhealthiest of all, when inundation usually covers the Country and a detention of days may take place in crossing over a single Nullah, so that the obstacles to be overcome in providing supplies are very great and occasional disappointment must be expected.

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9. I will endeavour to procure Boats to cross the Regiment over the Nullahs and rivers.

10. You are of course aware that the climate in these jungles is most deadly in September and October, so that the best Medical comforts should be taken on and plenty Doolies and Bearers, none being procurable on the route.

11. It would be a good plan to send your sick down by water to Cuttack on your reaching and again before leaving the banks of the Mahanuddy.

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No88. Page No.2577.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

Order No.~~4446~~/ 3254, 19th September 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the movement of the 5th and 43rd Regiments being postponed as proposed.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

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No.89. Page No.2577.Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department 19th September 1857, No.3255; to the Commissioner, Nagpore.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 1st September 1857, No.123, and to inform you that the movement of the 5th N.I. to Kamptee has been ~~posted1~~ postponed--and will not now take place till the healthy season.

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1st Regiment Native Infantry--The penalties imposed upon the--removed for its subsequent good donduct at Secunderabad.

No.1. Page No.2467.Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 19th August 1857, No.953; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Passing orders regarding the misconduct of 1st Regiment N.I. at Vizianagarum.

The conduct of the 1st Regiment N.I. having been perfectly satisfactory since the orders of Government as conveyed in Minu es of Consultation 13th June 1857, No.1919 were made known to the

Major General Beresford, in consideration of the above, and taking into account that the Light Company as well as about 70 Rank and File of other Companies were absent from Regimental Head Quarters on the 27th and 28th February last, deems it right to bring under the favorable notice of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council that the occasion of the Rifle Company of this Corps being detailed for Service in Bengal, will in his opinion be a fitting opportunity for the removal of the penalties imposed by para 9. clause IV of the above Minutes of Consultation.

> "In regard to the Native Ranks, Lieutenant General Sir P. Grant considers they should be punished by having their promotion stopped for the period of one year and by the withholding of the usual indulgences, such as leave &c.

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Major General Beresford feels sure that this measure would meet the approval of Lieutenant General Sir P. Grant under the circumstances brought to notice, and in this belief he begs to recommend the Corps to the consideration of Government.

No.2. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 8th September 1857, No.1050; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, ~~of the~~ in forwarding for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copies of letters* from the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, His Excellency considers the conduct of the Troops has been most praiseworthy

*Reporting the very excellent conduct of the Troops composing the Force during the period of the Moharrum and recommending in consequence that the bar to promotion in the 1st Regiment N.I. be withdrawn.

and begs to support the recommendation/ made by Major General Beresford that the bar to promotion and other penalties imposed on this Corps by Minutes of Consultation 13th June last No.1919 may be removed.

/ Dated 19th August 1857 No.953.

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From the Officer Commanding H. S. Force, Secunderabad, 3rd September 1857, No.143, to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to report for the information of the Commander-in.Chief, that the Moharrum has passed over in the most orderly and peaceable manner both in this Cantonment and the adjoining City of Hyderabad.

2. It affords me the greatest satisfaction to be able to bring to the notice of His Excellency the exemplary conduct of the whole of the Native Troops under my command during this Feast which has been one of unusual excitement; and it became necessary therefore to require that all should be ready to turn out at a moment's warning--Mahomedans, as well as others,

and I am happy to say that the Mahomedan portion of the Troops, although on leave did not absent themselves from their Lines and attended all Roll Calls, during this Feast, with the utmost cheerfulness.

3. I take this opportunity o reporting that the Rifle Companies/ of the 1st and 24th Regiments N.I. have been completed to the required strength with great alacrity and if I might be allowed, I would beg to recommend that the stoppage of promotion in the 1st Regiment N.I. notified in your letter No.4/3097 of the 12th June 1857, might be removed, as the conduct of this Regiment generally has been excellent.

4. I beg to transmit copy of a letter from the Resident on the subject of the conduct of the extra Troops employed at the Residency for submission.

From the Resident of Hyderabad, 1st September 1857, No.1051; to the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad.

I have the honor to state for your information that agreeably to my letter No.1042 under date the 29th ultimo, I have directed the return to Cantonment of the additional Troops of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force now at the Residency with the exception of 50 Europeans and 2 Horse Artillery Guns.

2. The good order and discipline of the Detachment under Major Brice of the Horse Brigade has been most exemplary during this trying and dangerous period of the Mahomedan Feast of the Moharrum.

3. The good temper and good natured way the European Soldiers have treated the natives, has had the most beneficial effect amongst the peaceable inhabitants of the City and Residency Bazars, in allaying fears that those Soldiers had been only sent here for the purpose of warfare and blood-shed.

4. I have taken the liberty/to suggest to the Madras Government that the Native Troops extra to my usual Escort, who have been separated from their families, thereby being put to double expense, should receive during the period they have been in Tents the usual batta they would be entitled to, when in the Field.

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No.3. Order No.3121, 9th September 1857.

The Governor in Council has perused with much gratification Major General Coffin's report of the excellent conduct of the Troops of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force during the period of the Mohorrum, and he willingly authorises the removal of the penalties imposed upon the 1st Regiment Native Infantry as recommended by the Major General and by his excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

No.3-A. Read letter from the Adjutant General of the Army, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 2nd September 1857 No.1/10-22.

Sir,

With reference to my letter as per margin, I have the honor, by order of Major General Beresford, Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of letter from the Officer Commanding 8th Light Cavalry, with a copy of Major General Beresford's "Minute" on the subject.

Bi,964, dated 20th ultimo, reporting that the 8th Light Cavalry had been dismounted, as arranged by Major General Beresford, in personal communication with the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

Sd. W.G. Woods. Lt. Col.
Adjutant General of
the Army.

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47th Native Infantry--The alacrity displayed by this Corps, on a Wing being required for service, noticed with approbation... ... ...

No.30. Page No.2557. Military Consultation of 22-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 8th September 1857, No.1054; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding Bellary, bringing to notice the meretorious conduct of the 47th Regiment Native Infantry.

Dated 3-9-1857, No.296.

From the Brigadier Commanding Bellary, 3-9-1857, No.296; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I think it right to bring to the notice of the Commander-in-Chief the meretorious conduct of the 47th Regiment Native Infantry now stationed here.

This Regiment was one of the earliest of the Madras Army that volunteered to serve against the Bengal Muntineers. Lately one Wing was suddently odered to proceed to Dharwar--the order was received between 8 and 9 o'clock of the evening of Saturday the 8th of August, and the Wing marched at 1/2 past 1 A.M. on Monday the 10th and could have moved earlier had Carriage been provided.

All ranks were delighted to move, as they were under the impression that they would be led against the Mutineers, and the remainder of the Regiment expressed extreme willingness to take the places of their more fortunate comrades. The Wing marched 24 miles in 8 hours and then to its great disappointment was re-called by expmess and returned to Bellary.

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No.31. Page No.2557, Military Consultation of 22-9-1857

Order No. 3234, 16th September 1857.

The Governor in Council has noticed with approbation the Soldierlike alacrity displayed by the 40th Regiment on oacasion of a Wing of the Corps being required to proceed on service to Dharwar.

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allowed to proceed to Calcutta on the "Nile" instead of the "Coromandel."

No.196. Page No.2615. Military Consultation 22-9-1857.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st September 1857, No.385, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to solicit the sanction of Government, to Ensign Neill, of the 1st Madras Fusiliers being sent to Calcutta, en route to join by the Ship "Nile" under the following circumstances.

Captain Taylor of the same Corps came from England in the "Nile" and has been permitted to provide his own passage in her to Calcutta, His Excellency wishes

that Ensign Neill should proceed to join, under the charge of an experienced Officer of his own Regiment, like Captain Taylor, and therefore requests sanction to Ensign Neill's passage being provided in the "Nile", instead of the "Coromandel" in the early part of next month.

The favor of an early reply is solicited, as the "Nile" sails in a few days.

No.197.

Order, No.3315, 22nd September 1857.

Sanctioned.

Officers of the late Bengal 19th Native Infantry promised bp be sent tp do duty with the Madras Regiments serving in Bengal.

Oggicers on Staff employ required with their Regiments proceeding to Bengal--not available

No.250. Page No.2391.Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 14th August 1857, No.599; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to your letter, (b)(Vide Cons.28th July 1857, No.152.) No.2514 of the 28th Ultimo, requesting that certain Officers o the 17th and 27th Madras Native Infantry, now on staff employ may be placed at the disposal

of the Madras Government temporarily for Regimental duty as these Regiments are ordered on service in Bengal, I am directed to acquaint you for the information of the Governor in Council that none of those named can be spared, but that in communication with the Commander-in-Chief, should Officers be required with these Corps, such of the late Bengal 19th Native Infantry as are available shall be sent to do duty with them.

No.251. Order No.3000, 1st September 1857.
Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief.

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Mahomed Oomer, Jemadar--F. Troop Horse Arty., correspondence respecting his promotion for his gallantry during an attack on the Hyderabad Residency, recorded...

No.13. Page No.2319. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 13th August 1857, No.929; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, to forward for the information and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the annexed copies of correspondence from the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, relative to the promotion by the Resident at Hyderabad of Jemadar Mahomed Oomer of the F. Troop Horse Artillery, to the rank of Subadar, for his conspicuous gallantry during the attack on the Hyderbad Residency on the evening of the 17th ultimo.

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From the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad, 6th August 1857, No.127, to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I deem it my duty to annex for the information of the Provincial Commander-in-Chief, copy of a letter* from the British Resident, forwarding copy of a Telegraphic message despatched by him; and to enclose an extract from my Division Order upon the subject.

*No.747/57, dated 18-7-1857.

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From the Resident of Hyderabad, 18th July 1857, No.747; to the Brigadier Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.

I have the honor to forward for your information copy of a Telegraphic message which I have forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George, and to request that you will have the goodness to make the promotion known in Orders, to the Troops under your Command.

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"Under provisions vested in me by G.O.G.G. No.698 of 1857; which under instructions from the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council No.2724, dated 27th June have been conferred upon the Resident at Hyderabad, I have promoted Jemadar Mahomed Oomer of the F. Troop Madras Horse Artillery, General No.243, for his conspicuous gallantry during the attack on the Hyderabad Residency on the evening of the 17th instant.

I have communicated this promotion to Brigadier Coffin as I am anxious that all the Native Army in the Decean should know, that conduct such as that of Subadar Mahomed Oomer will be at once recognized."

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Extract from Division orders by Brigadier I.C. Coffin, Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, dated Head Quarters, Secunderabad, 20th July 1857.

"It is notified for the information of the Force, that, the Resident under the power vested in him by the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council as published in G.O. No.5, of the 8th instant, has promoted Jemadar Mahomed Oomer of the F. Troop Horse Artillery to the Rank of Subadar for his conspicuous gallantry, during the attack on the Hyde abad Residency on the evening of the 17th instant.".

(True extract.)
Sd. D. Hodson, Major,
Actg.Asst.Adjt.Genl.Hyd.Subsy. Force.

Pursooram, Lance Naigue, Veeraswamy, Private, Vurdarajooloo, Havildar.	30th N.I.	Promoted for arresting.

A Fakeer for tampering with them.

No.52. IInd Para.Page No.2491. 15-9-1857

From the Officer Commanding 30th Regiment, M.N.I. Cuddapah, 7th September 1857, No.360; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have the honor to report the following circumstances for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and eventually to Government should he so see fit.

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Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo Regimental No.1854, Lance Naigue Pursooram Regimental No.1092 and Private Veeraswamy Regimental No.894 of the Regiment under my Command were walking along one of the Cantonment roads at about 10 A.M. of the 28th August 1857 when they saw a Fakeer groping for a stick on the ground, Havildar Vurdarajooloo supposing the man to be blind requested Private Veeraswamy to take hold of his stick and lead him out of the Cantonmant, Private Veeraswamy took hold of the stick and ~~walke~~ walked along with the man with the Lance Naigue and Havildar. After they had proceeded a little distance the Fakee r said "the Government of the Company is come to an end and the Reign of the Moguls is coming--the Government wishes to make us all christians, they have ordered Bullocks fat for the Hindoos and the fat of swine for the Musselmen and also new "toppes" (meaning

I suppose the red caps which were in Regimental wear). The Havildar on hearing these words said "well! How are you going to manage this because if one fire upon you, you will die," to which the other replied, "I am a prophet and am acquainted with many charms. If a Regiment fires on me I can make the powder to go through the touch holė, instead of the mouth of your guns and can break the legs of your Troop horses--The Hindoos and Musselmen must be one, how have they managed in Bengal? "He also took the Havildar's hand and on the palm of it began making dumb signs and said that men would come from Hyderabad." On hearing these words the Havildar (Privately) told the two men to proceed direct to report the matter at my quarters. I immediately directed the arrest of the

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man and that he should be carried to the Barrack guard to be stripped and searched to ascertain if he had any documents concealed on his person. I directed also all the places where Fakeers reside to be visited, including a choultry about 3/4 of a mile on the Bellary road to see if there were any other strange men about, but did not succeed in securing any papers. It would seem that the man was groping for the stick to draw the attention of the passers bye, as Ensign St. Johnsaw the man the night before his arrest walking along the road towards the Lines without assistance. The man has only made his appearence during the "Mohorrum." I have little dount that the man has been employed by others as it is not likely that a man of his class would undertake such a matter on his own account, and my Jemadar Adjutant informs me that he saw the Prisoner after his trial by the

sessions Judge to whom he was forwarded by the Magistrate that he then said to him "why do you not give information regarding those who have employed you? you may perhaps then get some ease to yourself," to which the man replied--"why should I point them out I will not do so if you give me a Lac of Rupees or take my life" "I only will die"--I beg to bring to the favorable notice of His Excellency, the conduct of Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo (who is a man of excellent character) and also the Lance Naigue Pursooram and Private Veeraswamy for their prompt and faithful conduct on this occasion.

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The prisoner has been tried, foung Guilty and sentenced to 10 years hard labour in irons by the Sessions Judge.

N.B. The Original of this letter has been forwarded through the Divison.

Copy of letter from Sessions Judge of Cuddapah is enclosed.

From the Commissioner of Cuddapah, 7th September 1857, No.156; to the Officer Commanding 30th Regiment N.I., Cuddapah.

I have the honor to inform you that the trial in No.1 on the file of the Commissioner in the Zillah of Cuddapah appointed under the act XIV of 1857 has been brought to a close, and the prisoner Peer Shah has been this day sentenced to (10) ten years imprisonment with hard labour in irons.

2. It is with much gratification that I bring prominentl to your notice the faithful and honorable part which the Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo, Lance Naigue Pursooram and Private Veeraswamy have taken in this matter, and the frankness with which they gave their depositions before me.

3. It appears that the Prisoner Peer Shah actually had the audacity to attempt to tamper with the fidelity of certain men belonging to the Regiment under your Command, what infatuation could have tempted him to hope for any success I cannot say, but had he even addressed himself to the Mussulmans of the Regiment, who however had the usual leave of absence on the commencement of the new Hirji, the festival of the Mohorrum, I have no doubt they would have been equally disgusted and have forthwith brought such insolence towards Government and insult to themselves, to your notice. Per Shah however addressed himself to those who were Hindoos and they in common with the other Native Officers and Soldiers of

the Regiment could not but feel the attempt, however abortive, would be a slur upon their character if they allowed such a miscreant to go unpunished. They therefore most properly seized the man and brought the subject to your notice.

4. The Officers and men of the Regiment of whatever rank and caste, well knew the generous feelings of the British Government towards them, and its paternal solicitude for the welfare and happiness of all those who faithfully serve them.

The Officers and men of the 30th Regiment fully entertaining these sentiments on hearing of the dastardly, cruel, and treacherous proceeding of the misguided namak

harams and Budmashes of certain parts of the Bengal Presidency, hobly volunteered as did several other Regiments to proceed to Bengal and chastise those who had proved so unfaithful to the Government which had long fostered and supported them. But their services were not required, as most of the rebels had been slain.

5. In token of the high estimation in which the conduct of those above mentioned attached to the Regiment under your Command is held, I have the greatest satisfaction in sending you in the name of the Government the sum of Rupees 200, one hundred Rupees for the Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo, sixty Rupees for Lance Naigee/ Purscoram and forty Rupees for Private Veeraswamy.

6. As early as practicable, I will forward to you copy of my decision with English translations of the entire record, one copy having to be submitted to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council for His Lordships information.

7. A copy of the Teloogoo record accompanies this communication.

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No.53. Page No.2492. Military Consultation of 16-9-1857.

Order No.3150, 12th September 1857.

Ordered that promotions be made as recommended by the Commander-in-Chief and that the same be notified in General orders.

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No.54. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

G.O. By Government, dated 14th September 1857.

No.289.

The Commander-in.Chief having brought to the notice of Government the loyal and Soldierlike conduct of Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo, Lance Naigue Pursooram and Private Veeraswamy, all of the 30th Regiment, in having arrested a Fakeer who had attempted to seduce them from their allegiance, the Governor in Council, in accordance with His Excellency's recommendation, directs that Drill Havildar Vurdarajooloo be promoted to the rank of Jemadar, and Pursooram and Veeraswamy to the rank of Naigue.

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2. Jemadar Vurdarajooloo will be borne as supernumerary until it would fall to him to be promoted in ordinary course--and Naigues Pursooram and Veeraswamy until vacancies occur.

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To take Rifles to Calcutta, and not to touch at the Northern Ports... ... ...

No.36. Page No.2643.Military Consultation of 19-9-1857.

7 From the Quarter Master General of the Army,22nd September 1857, No.388; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor by desire of His Excellency the Commander-in.Chief, to report for the information of Government, that the Rifle Company of the 49th Native Infantry and 2 Companies 34th Regiment L.I. will be ready for embarkation for Calcutta on the 3rd Proximo, and to propose that the "Coromandel" be made availabe for this service.

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The Rifle Companies of the 1st and 24th Regiments will be ready for embarkation at Masulipatam by the same date. The "Coromandel" can touch there, and receive one Company on board.

His Excellency requests that provision may be made for the transport hence of the Rifles of the 16th N.I. and the remaining Company of Rifles from Masuliptam The "Dalhousie" might perhaps, be available for this Service. It is found that to send the Rifles of the 16th N.I. by the "Coromandel," it would be necessary to detain that vessel till at least the 9th or 10th Proximo-- and this, His Excellency does not consider desirable, especially as another vessel must be employed, and despatched hence for the Companies at Masulipatam.

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Accommodation required for a Detachment of the 2nd European Light Cnfantry--Arrangements made for providing it approved---

No.23. Page No.2321. Military Consultation of 1-9-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 18th August 1857, No.317, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order, to intimate to Government that the Provincial Commander-in.Chief has approved of the arrangements reported in the annexed copy of a letter from the Acting Collector of Tanjore, relative ~~of~~ to the arrangements he had made for accommodating the Detachment 2nd European L.I. expected at Tanjore.

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From F.D. Phillips, Esqr. Acting Collector, Tanjore, 8th August 1857, No.836, to the Officer Commanding Southern Division, Trichinopoly.

In reply to your letter dated the 1st instant, I have the honor to state that in communication with Captain White, I have selected certain accommodation for the fifty Soldiers of the 2nd European Light Infantry, whom it is intended to station at Tanjore, and that being Government property no monthly outlaywill be incurred for house rent.

Certain trfling repairs and alterations will be made at once, for which perhaps the sum of 100 or 150 Rupees will suffice. I cannot just now be sure of the precise amount which I shall advance from money at my official disposal.

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Orders issued for European Troops being sent from the Presidency--to prevent a rising there... ... ...

No.41. Military Consultation of 16-9-1857. Page No.2486-

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 11th September 1857, No.1063, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in,Chief, in transmitting the enclosed Copy of*Telegram

*No.68 from Brigadier Commanding Vellore, 11th September 1857.

	Field Officers	Captain	Subalterns	Medical Officers	Native Officers	Sergt. or Havildars	Drummers	Rank and file.
18th Regiment Native Infantry.	1	1	6	1	11	45	20	567
3rd Extra Regt. N.I.	0	1	1	1	6	19	2	288
Detachment European Artillery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	12
Dett. Vetn. Golundauze.	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	27

to enquire whether the information in possession of Government renders it desirable that Vellore should be strengthened as the Telegram now submitted does not contain information which enables His Excellency to form a judgment in the matter.

I am directed to annex a statement of the Force at Vellore as by the last Returns in this Office.

Telegram. Page No. 2487.

From Brigadier Logan, Vellore, 11th September 1857, No.68; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

4 "From a Private letter sent to me this morning for perusal addressed to Mr. Sullivan by Mr. Brett, Collector of Salem, dated from Tripasore 9th, I have been induced to order a complete Company with two European Officers to proceed tomorrow morning to Vaniembady, where Mr. Brett will be--The strength of the Garrison will in consequence, be much reduced--I would therefore request that more Troops be sent to Vellore to meet all exigencies that may possibly arise.".

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No.42. Page No.2487. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 12th September 1857, No.... to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in.Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying orginal Letter from the Brigadier Commanding Vellore, dated the 10th instant No.367, with enclosure; and am

Reporting that in compliance with requisition from the Collector and Magistrate of Salem, he has directed an Officer/ of the 18th Regiment to proceed and take Command of the Detachments collecting at Vaniembady; and enclosing copy of Letter from H.A. Brett Esq.

*Repôrting march of a Detachment from Vellore &c.

directed to request you will be good enough to solicit the attention of His Lordship in Council to the reduced state of the Garrison at Vellore as brought to notice in my letter* of yesterday's date.

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From the Brigadier Commanding Vellore, 10th September 1857, No.367, to the Adjutant General of the Army.

In compliance with the requisition of H.A. Brett Esquire Collector and Magistrate of Salem, I have the honor to report for His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief's information that I have directed the 18th Regiment N.I. to detail an Officer (Lieutenant Norton) to proceed and take Command of the several Detachments which he states to be collecting at Vaniembady.

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from H.A. Brett Esq.

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From the Magistrate of Salem, Irmattoor, 8th September 1857, No.326; to the Brigadier Commanding Vellore.

I.received this noon through Mr. Sullivan, a copy of your letter dated thr 5th instant No.352, informing him that a party of Sepoys under the Command of a Native Officer had marched the same noon for Trippattoor.

2. I am on my way to Vaniembady, to enquire into the acts of violence referred to in the report made by the Head of Police of Trippattoor to Mr. Sullivan-- no further actual violence has been committed but the Mahomedan Population at Vaniembady is in an excited state; a large number of the same class continue assembled together in the Town; and there is an interruption to ordinary business.

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3. I purpose taking on with me to Vaniembady the party you have sent to Trippattoor and in addition to that party I shall have 30 Sepoys under a Native Officer, belonging to the 25th N.I. This party was deputed to Salem to escort treasure, the despatch of which has been subsequently countermanded. They are now marching through the District for Madras.

4. There is also a party of Sepoys (42 in number) consisting of Details of the 3rd and 11th Regiment, on their way from Bangalore to Madras. This party was to reach Ossoor on the 7th, according to the Quarter Master General's route; and ought to arrive at Vaniembady on Sunday the 13th. There will therefore be nearly 100 Sepoys at that place on the 13th including the men from Vellore, the number of which is not given.

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5. The mere presence of such a force will ensure order, while I am making my investigation. It will enable me to seize the persons who have instigated the disturbance, and to finish my enquiry in the course of 2 or 3 days, when the party you have detached can proceed back to Vellore, in company with the 25th party and the rest. It is not however certain that each party will attend to my wishes to halt, and on other grounds it is very desirable that an European Officer should be deputed to command the whole party, and aid me as circumstances may demand. I therefore beg you will be good enough to send an Officer from Vellore to Vaniembady for this purpose.

6. I shall arrive at Vaniembady Friday noon, and put up at the traveller's Bungalow. If the Officer you send should arrive about 7 O'clock that noon, he would find t the Sepoys encamped at the Bungalow.

7. I do not anticipate any disturbance at Trippattoor, where the Talook Treasury is.

No.43. Page No.2488. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Telegram.

From the Joint Magistrate, Vellore, 12th September 1857; to the Chief Secretary to Government.

Salem Magistrate reports aspect of affairs at Vaniembady as very threatening, and has applied for more Troops-- of great consequence to have Telegraphic communication between this and Vaniembady now--wire passes through the latter place. Signaller and Apparatus should be sent up at once. Lubbays at Amboor troublesome but no demonstration yet; all quiet here but people's minds very unsettled by Vaniembady news.

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No.44. Page No. 2498. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

Order No. 3144, 12th September 1857

Ordered that a detachment of four Guns of Horse Artillery and two Companies of European Infantry, be placed at the disposal of the Commander-in,Chief from the Troops at the Presidency, with a view to their being despatched by Train for employment in such manner as may be found necessary.

The despatch of Native Troops from Vellore to.-reported--recorded. ... ...

No.90. Page No. 2578.Military Consultation of 12-9-1857.

. From the Adjutant General of the Army, 14th Septembe 1857, No.107 O, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In continuation of my letters as per margin, I have the honor by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to Government, the accompanying communication from the Brigadier Commanding Vellore, reporting having further detached a Company of the 18th Regiment N.I. to Amboorpet and Vaniambady, and enclosing copy of a private note from the Collector of Salem.

Dated 11th September 1857, No.1063.

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Tripatore, 9th September 1857.

My Dear Sullivan,

I arrived here this evening, the affair at Vaniambady may be more serious than I expected--there is a strong combination of the Lubbies for objects which are not fully declared as yet--they are headed by 2 persons--Myna Mahomed Cossim Saib and Thatoo Banah both merchants of wealth, and both men noted as violent determined characters. The shops have been closed since the 2nd, and nothing can be done without the permission of the two men at the head-- I have reliable information this evening, that 500 men (Lubbies chiefly) have come in by invitation from Amboor in your district, you have already heard what took place

on the 2nd, there has been no looting of any kind--Mahomd Cassim must be well aware that he will be brought to account for the rescue on the 2nd, and it is his interest to excite the people to the utmost, it is the general opinion that the Mahomedans would not have acted as they do, for what seems no great grievance (supposing the peons did give any just cause of offencw) if they had not been unsettled by passing events.

I keep to my place of going in on Friday, but I have some doubts whether I shall be strong enough at once to assume the high hand--at first I shall have the Vellore Sepoys and the 30 Sepoys of the 25th now here at Tripatore-- the Sepoys from Bangalore (details of the 3rd and 11th)

may be true to their time at Vaniambady (the 13th) or not I shall see my way more clearly when I meet the Officer whom I have requested the Brigadier at Vellore, (in a letter sent yesterday) to send out so as to meet me at the traveller's Bungalow at Vaniambady--Friday morning e Officers might well be sent.

My chief object in writing now is to mention that fact of men having come in from Amboor, and 2ndly that the Brigadier may be made acquainted with the present uncertain aspect of things--He will be inclined to hold more men in readiness, if he does not at once send out another party to Vaniambady. If there should be a collision there is no saying what lengths the Mahomedans mighg go, or how their hopes might be incited. I am

told that the class talk about the weakness of our Regiments, the alarm manifested by Europeans, and their own power viewed with reference to members over this part of the Country, this letter will reach Vellore to-morrow night. I shall put it under cover to the Brigadier in case you should not be there--let me have a reply by the next post stating the Brigadier's views, and what information you have in regard to Amboor--address to Vaniambady.

The detachment from Vellore reached Vaniambady yesterday mornin --at first they could not get supplies, afterwards

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Mahomed Cassim had them supplied, and I believe free of cost--I understood from your letter that they were ordered to come to Tripatore. I believe they will be coming on to-morrow morning--but I shall stop them half way and let them return with me the next morning.

Yours &c.

Sd.) H. Brett.

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Seditious Placard posted in the Town of--Letter forwarding one and reporting that measures will be adopted to preserve the peace of the place,, recorded... ... ...

No.101. Page No. 2435. Military Consultation of 8-9-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 28th August 1857, No.1001, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Dated 19th August 1857.

I have the honor, by order of the Provincial Commander-in.Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed copy of letter from the Officer Commanding Northern Division, together with copy of a Translation of a Teloogoo Placard to which it gave cover.

From the Officer Commanding Northern Division, Waltair, 19th August 1857; to the Adjutant General of the Army.

I have the honor to forward for the information of the Provincial Commander-in.Chief, copy of a Translation of a Teloogoo Placard posted in the Town of Vizagapatam a few nights ago and which was furnished to me by Mr. Pelly Acting Principal Assistant Magistrate.

Mr. Reade the Government Agent who has since arrived, will I have no doubt adopt the most effectual measures to secure the preservation of the peace during the approaching Mohurrum and the Military will be held in readiness to co-operate promptly should their assistance be called for which I do not however apprehend will be the case.

Circular

Under orders of the Emperor of Delhi the people of Mahomed do on the 21st July 1857, hereby openly notify to the rich Inhabitants of Vizagapatam attached to the Company that the said Company who were always obedient to the Emperor of Delhi have with the ambition of subduing all the country done many injustices and by the dangers they in consequence subjected themselves there is not the least doubt of their quitting the country which is under their Government.

Although the people of Mahomed are enjoying money (however insufficient it may be to satisfy their hunger)

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from the Company yet they will as ordered by the Emperor during the Mohurrum undoubtedly take off the name of Vizagapatam and call it by the name "Mahomedpatam." The whole Town will be razed to dust and that will give honor to the new name of "Mahomed" therefore Oh! people you belong to us and if you be backward in the expected War there is no doubt that even so much as the name of your respective families will not remain. We will easily protect those people who supply provisions &c. and give assistance to us the people of "Mahomed" and those that fail to do so and remove themselves from the Town must know that two folds of what was lately done at Delhi will be done against them.

If any body from this time secure his property and entertain bad views, and if that come to the notice of the people of Mahomed it must be known that we will imprison them all. We have lately written many letters to Goday Narain Gujputtee Row an opulent Sowcar of this country on the same subject, but found no advantage thereby. It will be evident to you all what the people of Mahomed will do with him in a few days.

It must be particularly known that however subject we may at present be to the Company and although we do not

adt according to our wishes yet with the assistance which we expect from the Emperor we the people of Mahomed remaining in the Company's Territories will destroy the several Towns.

Under orders of the Emperor we expect the assistance of all people and accordingly give this notice and each man may act as he pleases.

No.102. Order No. 3066, 7th September 1857.

<u>Recorded</u>.

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Corps that have volunteered for service in Bengal , thanks of Government to be conveyed to them--Commander-in.Chief.

No.174. Page No. 2543. Military Consultation of 15-9-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, 4th September 1857, No.174; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In acknowledging the receipt of your letters No.s. 2313 (b) (B) vide Cons.14th July 1857 No.133, and 2539(c) (c) Vide Cons.4th August 1857, No.241. of the 14th July and 4th August 1857, I am directed to acquaint you, for the information of the Right Honorable the Givernor in Council that the Government of India have received with satisfaction the assurance of their desire to be employed against the

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Bengal Mutineers expressed by the undermentioned Troops:-

2nd, 4th and 7th Regiments of Light Cavalry.

51st Regiment Native Infantry,

27th Regiment Native Infantry, Left Wing,

E. Company of Golundauze.

6th Regiment of Light Cavalry.

2nd, 23rd and 30th Regiments Native Infantry.

No. 175.

Order No. 3211, 15th September 1857.

Communicated to the Commander- in- Chief.

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District Engineers to be supplied with--for the purpose of arming their European and East Indian subordinates...

No.213. Page No. 2763. Military Consultation of 6-10-1857

Extract from the Proceedings of the Chief Engineer in the Department of Public Works, Fort. St. George, under date the 29th September 1857, No.4066.

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, 24th September 1857, No. 4529; to the Chief Engineer Department Public Works.

With reference to the accompanying Indent from the District Engineer of Bellary, for Arms and Ammunition, I

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have some doubt, whether or not it comes within the scope of the sanction of Government, accorded in Extract Minutes of Consultation (a) No.2655 dated 6th August 1857, as that document only refers to the District of Dowlaishweram, but I would wish to know, if you interpret the order more widely, and if the present demand is authorized thereby.

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No.2 Resolved, to forward to Government a copy of the foregoing letter No. 4259 of the 24th instant, with the Chief Engineer's recommendation, that authority be given to the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines to pass Indents received from District Engineers for supplies of Arms and Ammunition.

2. Resolved also, to forward a copy of these Proceedings for the information of Lieutenant Colonel Balfour.

(A True Extract).

(sd) C.E. Faber, Colonel,

Chief Engineer.

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No.214. Page No. 2763.

Order No. 3505, 6th October 1857.

The Governor in Council authorises the issue of Arms and Ammunition to all District Engineers applying for them--for the purpose specified in the Chief Engineer's letter of the 31st July entered in Minutes of Consultation No. 2655, 6th August 1857. Those Officers being held responsible for the due care and preservation of the Arms and Ammunition so issued.

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East Indian Drivers for Horse Batteries--Drill Establishment for---sanctioned... ... ...

No.166.Second Para.Page No.2908. 20th October 1857.

From the Brigadier Commandant of Artillery, Saint Thomas' Mount, 10th October 1857, No.1071; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

With reference to your letter No.3699 of the 20th July last, directing me to modify my *recommendation in regard to the men to be employed in breaking in the Horse Battery consequent on European Drivers being ordered to be substituted for Natives, I have the honor to state for the information of His Excellency the

*Submitted in letter No.173 dated 11th July 1853.

Commander-in-Chief, that as No.7 is the Battery which is to be Horsed throughout and organized at once, and to which the Horses of No.5 Battery have consequently been removed, I beg to suggest that the Drill Establishment of an European Troop (viz. 1 Drill Corporal) and (2 Rough Riders) be sanctioned on the same allowances as allowed in a Troop for the instruction of the East Indian Drivers of No.7 Battery.

2. I have already recommended in the 2nd para of my letter No.713 of the 11th July last, that a pair of Overalls each be allowed to such of the men of the Horse Brigade as are employed in breaking in the Horses, as was sanctioned on former similar occasions.

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Soldiers serving in the Public Works Department granted-- in Bengal on re-enlistment... ... ...

No. 149. Page No.2905. Military Consultation of 20-10-1857.

From the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, Fort William, 30th September 1857, No.1452; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to your letter (a) No.1884 of the 9th June 1857, (a) Vide Cons. 9th June 1857, No.112 I am desired to acquaint you for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that it has always been the practice to give Bounty to men serving in the Public Works Department who may re-enlist, and that it appears to the Supreme Government desirable to continue this practice, as the advantage of keeping these men under Military control by renewing their engagements fully compensates for the outlay it involves in the payment of Bounty.

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Orders on a reference respecting the interference of the Officer Commanding Rajahmundry with the Jail Peons during the Dussera festival... ... ...

No.113. Page No. 2968. Military Consultation of 29-10-1857.

Extract Mins. of Cons. Judicial Department.

Passing orders relative to the complaint preferred by the Subordinate Judge of Rajahmundry against the Commanding Officer, for preventing the Hindoo Jail Peons at Rajahmundry from passing who lighted torches, an old Pagoda in the Ford which has been converted into a Magazine, and from beating their tom toms at another part of the road the procession was travelling.	Here enter 17th October 1857, No.1867.

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1st Regiment Native Infantry--Remarks of the Commander-in-Chief on objections of the Commissioner of Nagpore, to this Regiment being sent to reinforce the Troops at Kamptee, forwarded to the Supreme Government... ... ...

No.150. Page No. 2823. Military Consultation of 13-10-1857.

From the Deputy Quarter Master General of the Army, 8th October 1857, No. 430, to the Secretary to Governmentn, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in.Chief, to forward for the information of Government, copy of a letter from Major General Coffin, Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, regarding the

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march of a Regiment to Kamptee, together with a Telegram from the Resident, stating, that the Commissioner at Nagpore had particularly requested, that the 1st Native Infantry might not be sent to reinforce the Troops at Kamptee.

Sir Patrick Grant desires me to say, that if the Commissioner of Nagpore means to imply, that the 1st Native Infantry was not trustworthy, it was in the Commander-in-Chief's opinion a most unwarrantable imputation on the character of the Regiment, which the Commissioner should be desired to withdraw.

If a Corps of N.I. should be still required for service in the Nagpore Territory, the Commander-in-Chief

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decidedly intends to recommend to Government, that the 1st N.I. should be sent. It is the tour of the Corps, and all the other Regiments at Secunderabad are before the first foreign service.

From the Officer Commanding Hyderabad Subsidiary Force, Secunderabad, 1st October 1857, No.3111, to the Quarter Master General of the Army.

I have the honor to forward copy of a communication from the Resident at Hyderabad relative to the march of a Regiment to Kamptee.--On the night of the 29th ultimo I received your Telegram to send off a Regiment without waiting further orders, and to bear in mind the tour of Corps for foreign service, this I understand to be the purport of the message, which was not well reported.

Yesterday morning I issued the order for the 1st Regiment to be prepared to march, as notified to you by

Telegraph. I selected this Regiment as all the other Native Corps with the force, had come from the Northward, and I knew that the 22nd, 24th and 41st, must be among the first to embark for Foreign Service, and that the tour of the 42nd must also soon come round.

In the course of yesterday forenoon I received the following Telegram Transcribed in the margin, and I must say it was with great surprise that I read it. The Commissioner at Nagpore thus casts a stigma

From the Resident of Hyderabad, 30th September to Major General Coffin
I omitted this paragraph in the Official despatch, I addressed you on the subject of the march of the Native Regiment to mention that the Commissioner at Nagpore had particularly requested that the 1st Native Infantry might not be sent to reinforce the Troops at Kamptee.

upon as fine a Regiment as there is in the Force, without any good ground for so doing--I would submit this for such notice as the Commander-in-Chief may see fit to take of it.

Your Telegram of yesterday afternoon, saying that a Regiment of N.I. was not required to march from this to Kamptee, was this morning received I have accordingly counter-ordered the march of the 1st Regiment, but had a Regiment still been required, I should have sent this Regiment as orginally detailed unless I had received orders to the contrary from you.

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From the Resident at Hyderabad, 29th September 1857, No.1206 to the Officer Commanding H.S. Force, Secunderabad.

Regarding Troops for Secunderabad and Nagpore.

I have the honor to transmit for your information the accompanying copy of a Telegraphic message addressed by me to the Madras Government yesterday, and of the reply which I have received to it under this date.

Telegraphic Message.

From Resident of Hyderabad, 28th September 1857; to the Chief Secretary to Government.

The Commissioner at Nagpore is urgent in his requisitions for a reinforcement from this place in addition to the Cavalry already despatched of three Companies of Europeans and one Regiment of Native Infantry.

I have replied that I am unable to spare the Europeans until relieved, and that I am also unable to send on a Regiment of Native Infantry, unless it can be re-placed from the Southward.

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Telegraphic Message.

From the Acting Chief Secretary, Fort Saint George, 29th September 1857; to the Resident of Hyderabad.

This Government can send no Europeans, till Forces arrive from England. The first Regiment will be landed at Masulipatam, and sent to Secunderabad, in order that the 3rd Europeans may go to Kamptee. The forty nine Native Infantry at Kurnool proceeds to Secunderabad in order that a Regiment there may be sent to Kamptee. Preparations have been made at Masulipatam for receiving and pushing on the Europeans.

No.151.

Order No. 3587, 13th October 1857.

Ordered to be forwarded to the Government of India.

No.152.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 13th October 1857, No.3588; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

8th October 1857, No. 430.

I am directed to refer for the consideration of the Government of India copy of a letter from the Quarter Master General of the Army and of its enclosures, relating to a Telegram from the Resident at Hyderabad to the effect that the Commissioner of Nagpore had particularly requested✗ that the 1st Regiment M.N.I. might not be sent to reinforce the Troops at Kamptee.

2. The Governor in Council, fully concurring in the view expressed by the Commander-in-Chief, requests that the subject may receive the early attention of the Government of India.

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List of those held as--by the Rajah of Shagurh co...
to the Commander-in.Chief.

No.7. Extract Mins. of Cons.Pol.Dept.

Communicating letter from the Deputy Commissioner 1st Class Saugor, intimating that Lieutenant A.C. Gordon, Deputy Commissioner of Lullutpore and 9 others were sent into Saugor on the 14th ultimo, by the Rajah of Shahgurh who had held them Prisoners for 3 months--that all the party are pretty well but have been badly treated by by the Rajah.

Here enter 1st Octobmr 1857, No.834.

No.8. rder No. 3516, 7th October 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief.

Caurniah, Private of the 30th Native Infantry, promoted for arresting a Brahmin for using improper language respecting Government. ... ...

No.49. Page No. 2868, Military Consultation of 20-10-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 13th October 1857, No.1218, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In forwarding for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the annexed

Bringing to notice the praiseworthy conduct of Private Caurniah of that Corps in having arrested a Brahmin for making use of highly improper language and for which the said Brahmin has been tried and sentenced to 4 years hard labour in irons.

copy of letter from the Officer Commanding 30th Regiment Native Infantry, I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to convey His Excellency's recommendation that Private Courniah, No.1766 of that Corps may be promoted to Naigue and borne as Supernumerary until absorbed by a

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From the Officer Commanding 30th Regiment N.I., Cuddapah 3rd October 1857, No.396 to the Adjutant General of the Army.

For the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, I have the honor to report to you that on the 16th September 1857, a Brahmin addressed himself to private Caurniah, No.1766, Grenadier Company, putting many questions to him, as to the whereabouts of the Lines, the number of men present, where the Barracks were &c. and whether any men slept in them at night, how many Europeans &c. there were present--having received answers from the Private he wound up, the whole by saying "This Durbar is not good we cannot obtain food and clothes under it," the Private then said, "Why are you asking all these questions, is there

any disturbance any where?" to which the Brahmin replied , "Is there any harm in asking these questions, I am a Brahmin," he then drew near the Private and again said, "The English Durbar is not good, if the Mogul Durbar was established, we should then get abundance of food and clothes." The Private immediately arrested the man and carried him to the Barrack Guard; the case was made over by me to the Magistrate for investigation. The Brahmin has been tried by the Sessions Judge and sentenced to 4 years hard labor in irons. I beg to bring the conduct of Private Caurniah to the notice of His Excellency.

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Mahomed Oomer, Jemadar F. Troop Horse Artillery, p
for his gallantry during an attack on the Hyderabad R...

Telegram.

From the Resident Hyderabad, 18th July 1857; to the Chief Secretary to Government.

Under the powers vested in me by G.O.G.G. number six hundred and ninety eight of E/ighteen hundred and fifty seven, which under instructions from the Right Honorable the Governor General in Council, number two thousand seven hundred and twenty four, dated twenty seventh June, have been conferred upon the Resident at Hyderabad, I have promoted Jemadar Mahomed Oomer of the F. Troop Madras Horse Artillery, Number two hundred and forty three for

his conspicuous gallantry during the attack on the Hyderabad Residency on the evening of the 17th instant. I have communicated this promotion to Brigadider Coffin as I am anxious that all the Native Army in the Deccan should know that conduct such as that of Subadar Mahomed Oom/er will be at once recognized.

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No.54. Telegram.

From the Resident Hyderabad, 10th October 1857, to the Chief Secretary to Government.

I beg that the promotion of Jemadar Mahomed Oomer F. Troop Horse Artillery which was made be mb in confirmmity with authority vested in me by the Government of India may be notified in orders as requested in my letter No. 7487, 18th July 1857, I beg to annex Extract of a letter this day received from the Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, in the Military Department. I am also directed to observe that the promotion of Jemadar Mahomed Oomer of the F. Troop Madras Horse Artillery will doubtless be confirmed by the Government of Fort Saint George.

No.55. Order No. 3631, 16th October 1857.

Ordered that the promotion referred to be published in G.O.

No.56. G.O, by Government/ Here enter 16th October 1857, No.328.

No.57. Telegram.

From the Military Secretary to Government, 16th October 1857, No.3632, to the Resident, Hyderabad.

Promotion of Jemadar Mahomed Oomer notified in this day's Gazette.

Hoosingabad--Correspondence respecting Troops being furnished for this station consequent on the mutiny of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry. ... ...

No.71-A. Telegram.

From the Political Secretary, Bombay 29th September 1857; to the Chief Secretary to Government.

The following message has just been forwarded to the Resident at Hyderabad--Deputy Commissioner at Nursingapore reports that the Fifty-second Bengal Native Infantry have mutinied at Jubbulpore and deserted in a body. Officers uninjured and Treasury safe. The Banda Mutineers have seized upon Nagode--The Fiftieth Bengal Native Infantry have joined them. An attack is anticipated on Jubbulpore.

The only assistance which it appears to this Government can be rendered is by advancing Major Orr's Column from Edvallabad to Hoosingabad--This movement would set free Madras Troops at latter Station for employment in Saugor and Nerbudda Territories. Another Column of Madras Troops might advance from Nagpore--Should these arrangements appear feasible, this Government would suggest that they be carried out.

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No.90. Page No. 2712. Military Consultation of 6-10-1857.

Telegram.

From the Resident Hyderabad, 2nd October 1857, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Madras.

The Message from Military Secretary to Government of the 2nd received--Major Orr's field detachment ordered two days ago to march on Hoosingabad.

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No.51. Page No.2784, Military Consultation of 13-10-1857

From the Dy.Quarter Master General of the Army, 7th October 1857, No,422; to the Secretary to Government Military Department.

With reference to the Telegram from the Resident at Hyderabad, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Military Department, No. 3443, I have the honor, by order of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, to propose to Government to communicate to the Officer Commanding Nagpore force, that the 28th Regiment may be considered available to reinforce the Moveable Column, or for other employment, so soon as Major Orr's Column shall reach Hoosingabad.

2nd Light Cavalry..Correspondence connected with its having offered to serve against the Bengal Mutineers, communicated to the Commander-in-Chief... ... ...

No.24. Page No.2925. Military Consultation of 29-10-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department Bombay, 7th October 1857, No.5639; to the Secretary to to Government, Fort Saint George.

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Gove nor in Council to transmit for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council at Fort Saint George, the accompanying copies of a letter from the Adjutant General No.6366 dated 15th ultimo, and its enclosure from the Officer Commanding the 2nd Madras Light Cavalry together with the orginal petition therein referred to.

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From the Adjutant General of the Army, Bombay, 15th September 1857, No.6366; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Bombay.

By direction of the Commander-in-Chief, I have the honor to transmit for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the enclosed copy of a demi-Official note, dated the 7th instant, from Major Strange Commanding the 2nd Regiment Madras Light Cavalry together with the Petition, in orginal, therein referred to, and to convey His Excellency's recommendation that they may be forwarded for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council at Madras.

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From the Officer Commanding 2nd Regiment Sholapore, 7th September 1857; to the Adjutant General of the Army Bombay.

When intelligence reached Sholapore of the refusal of the 8th Madras Cavalry to embark for Calcutta, some of the Native Officers of the 2nd came to me and expressed their deep concern at the disgrace which their refusal might bring on the Madras Cavalry in general, and repeated the assurance of their desire to be employed against the Bengal Mutineers. On Saturday last, the Subadar Major, accompanied by the Jemadar Adjutant, and another Native Officer, brought me a paper signed by all the Native Officers again expressing their wish to be

employed on this service, they have naturally supposed that as the Madras Cavalry are nearly all recruited from the same class of men, the Government might suppose that the other Corps sympathised with the 8th, and it is to remove any suspicion of this sort that they have come forward.

I have reported the subject to Colonel Scobie, who is of opinion that after having already once volunteered, there is no necessity for again writing Officially regarding the matter, an opinion in which I entirely concur, but Colonel Scobie, has allowed me to address you respecting it demi-Officially.

I trust that I shall not be considered to be giving superfluous trouble in making known what has passed. I

have thought that His Excellency the Commander-in-. may be interested to learn that the misconduct of the 8th Cavalry has had no effect on the 2nd, beyond redoubling their wish to prove their fidelity, and I therefore take the liberty of forwarding to you the original document that has been presented to me.

If we should have the good fortune to be employed with any column moving to the North, I have one favor to ask, which is, that I may be allowed to detach five men per Troop with a few Native Officers Commissioned and Non-Commissioned, to escort the families of the Corps to their homes at Arcot, that an advance of pay may be made on this account, and that I be allowed time

to superintend their actual departure from this. I would also request that the Civil authorities be directed to impress the necessary Carriage at reasonable rates of hire. This is a point of paramount importance. The diminution of the strength of the Corps will be more than compensated by the comfort that will be felt at the safety of the families regarding which the men are very sensitive.

No.25.

Order No.3714, 21st October 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief.

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No.51.Page No.2868. Military Consultation of 20-10-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 12rh October 1857, No.1204; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying correspondence from the Officer Commanding Nagpore Moveable Column, giving an account of an encounter with the Mutineers of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry by the Column under his Command.

No mention is made of the loss inflicted on the Mutineers and rebels, but this information has been called for from Colonel Millar.

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From the Officer Commanding Kamptee Moveable Column, Camp Kuttinghee, 27th September 1857, No.69; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor, to report for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that thanks be to God, the Kamptee Moveable Column gained a complete and decisive Victory over the Mutineers of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry, numbering about 500 rank and file and 1,000 insurgent Matchlock men on the 27th September 1857.

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The 52nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, having mutinied at Jubbulpore it was decided that the Town and

*4th Madras Light Cavalry, 42 Rank & file under Lieutenant Burnett.
D. Company 3rd Battalion Madras Artillery, 4 Guns under Captian Jones and Lieutenant Caine.
22nd Madras N.I. 105 Ran & File under captáin Yates.
33rd " " 238 " " " Lieut. Benwell.
Rifle Company Nagpore Irregular Infantry, 81 Rank and file under Lieutenant Pereira.

District of Dumoh should be abandoned by regular Troops and that the Moveable Column under my Command, strength as per *margin, having disarmed the detachment of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry, serving with the Column and taking with it the Dumoh Treasure, amounting to upwards of a lakh of Rupees, and the Arms and ammunition of the disarmed men should retire to defend Jubbulpore.

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The Column left Dumoh on the 21st instant; and after having been delayed in crossing the Nowlah River for three days reached Singrampore on the evening of the 26th September, where intelligence was received that the Mutinous 52nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, numbering about 500 rank and file had taken up a position at Konee on the West of the Heron River and about 12 miles below Kuttinghee.

*1 Company 33rd Madras Native Infantry.
12 Troopers 4th Madras Cavalry.

As there was a probability that the Mutineers might seize and destroy the boats on the Heron at Kuttinghee on the road to Jubbulpore, I despatched at 2 a.m. on the 27th instant, a party under

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Lieutenant Watson, strength as per margin,* to secure the boats above referred to--This party was accompanied by Major Jenkins, Assistant Quarter Master General.

At 5 a.m. on the 27th, just as the Column was preparing to march two Troopers galloped into Camp with the intelligence that the advanced party had been surprised by the 52nd Mutineers, that the two Officers had been killed and the party retreating on our Camp-- I forthwith gave the order to march and pushed on through a Jungly Country with a party and took possession of the village of Gobra about three miles in advance of Singrampore, and which Commands the mouth of the pass and to the North of which the ground is open. I waited there a short time for the Guns and Main Body to join me, shortly

after the Guns came up, the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry were seen marching along the road in Column of Sections-- two Guns were fired into them on which they left the road and advanced against us in the Jungle on both sides accompanied by the Matchlock-men as the position the Guns at first took up was too much exposed to fire from the Jungle and the enemy were evidently endeavouring to steal round our flanks, I retired about 200 yards close to the village and took up a more favorable position where the ground was a little more open--I kept the Guns on the road--occupied the village and the Jungle right and left with my Infantry and posted the Cavalry in rear of the left where the ground was open. After a brisk fire

which lasted for about half an hour the enemy were driven back--the Baggage having now closed up I placed the Treasure guarded by the 33rd in rear of the Guns, threw out a strong body of Skirmishers from the 33rd on the right a little in front of the leading Gun and another line of Skirmishers from the 28th and 33rd on the left, leaving one Company of the 28th with the Park and the Rifles to protect the Baggage and rear. In this order we advanced slowly through three or four miles of very Jungly Country drawing the enemy before us and halting occasionally to give them a few rounds from our Guns. On reaching the open Country near Kuttinghee, I pushed on the Cavalry to feel for the enemy who were discovered making off up the Hills with their Baggage in rear of the Town. From the nature of the

ground the Cavalry could not follow them, and before the Infantry arrived the greater number had effected their escape--the Rifles and parties from the 28th and 33rd however succeeded in killing some and taking a few Prisoners on the Hill, and also in the Town who where afterwards hanged.

On our approaching Kuttinghee we were agreeably surprised by Major Jenkins and Lieutenant Watson riding up to the Column they had succeeded in cutting their way thro' the Ambuscade in the dark, and had concealed themselves on the Hills until the advance of the Column enabled them to rejoin us, Lieutenant Watson I regret was wounded in the cheek by a Musket Ball and knocked off his horse, his escape was most miraculous, Major Jenkin's charger had two bullets thro' him and is not likely to survive.

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At the entrance to the town was found lying on the public road the body of Captain Macgregor of the 52nd Regiment Bengal Native Infantry, with his throat, cut, a shot in his breast and a bayonet wound in his body whom the Mutineers having made prisoner on the occasion of their Mutiny had murdered at 3 a.m. before they proceeded to attack us.

My movements during the above operations were much hampered by having to keep an eye on the 120 disarmed men of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry, who accompanied the Column and by the Treasure, large amount of Baggage and people retiring with us from Dumoh.

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The whole Force behaved well and proved incontestably that the Madras Sepoy has no sympathy with the Bengal Mutineers.

The Cavalry were very forward in pursuit of the enemy and followed them up the side of the Hill, capturing some of their Baggage.

The Rifle Company of the 1st Nagpore Irregular Infantry, were very active in ascending the Hill and captured a Color Havildar of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry, who was one of the Chief ringleaders of the Mutiny. I enclose Lieutenant Pereira's report on this subject, and beg to inform you that the Commissioner has promoted the Havildar therein mentioned to Jemadar, and that I have promoted the two Sepoy's to Havildars.

I feel much indebted to all the European Officers, and the conduct of the European Gunners was most exemplary.

I beg-a to add that I received every assistance from Captain Ludlow, Field Engineer, and from Captain Harrison, Officiating Sub-Assistant Commissary General, who acted as my Staff, and from Captain Pinkney, 34th Regiment Madras Native Infantry, Deputy Commissioner who was constantly with me, and whose knowledge of the localities enabled him to be of great service.

I enclose a Medical return of casualties.

From Lieut.C.L. Pereira, Commanding Rifles, 1st Regiment N.I., Camp Kuttenghee, 28th September 1857, to the Staff Officer Nagpore Moveable Column.

Havildar Huttah Tewarry.
Private Ramchurreen Tewarry.
" Shaik Emaum.

I have the honor to bring to your notice the marked conduct of the parties mentioned in the margin, whilst capturing Colour Havildar Bulder Sookool of the late 52nd B.N.I., and trust that you will be so good as to forward their namees for the favourable consideration of the Officer Commanding Nagpore Moveable Column.

II. On seeing a number of men in red jackets supposed to be Mutineers running hither and thither about the thick Jungles skirting the hills of Kuttenghee, I advanced the Rifles in skirmishing order and proceeded in that direction,

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on arriving at the base of one of the hills Private Rámchurreen saw a man hid behind one of the Bushes, he cried out "who are you," and on receiving no reply, Havildar Huttah Tewarry and Private Ramchurreen immediately seized the man, Private Shaik Emamum who was one of the files adjoining immediately went to their assistance, and seized the man's Musket, who was just on the point of full cocking it; on seizing him, they discovered he was a Color Havildar of the late 52nd B.N.I. he begged for mercy, and said that he woul give them 100 Rupees to shoot him dead, they replied "we are Government servants and dont require your money, Government pays us well," at this time I arrived at the place and ordered him to be brought on as a Prisoner,

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on arriving near the encamping ground I ordered him to be brought before the Commissioner Sauger and Nerbudda Territories, who asked him his name, to which he replied, Buldee Sookool, and then he was ordered to be executed. This man is supposed to have been one of the principal ringleaders of the Mutiny.

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Nominal list of Killed and Wounded in the action on the 27th September 1857.

Company and Nos.	Rank and Names.	Remarks.
	Wounded. 33rd Regiment N.I.	
Gr. ...	Lieut. H. Watson....	Slightly.
Gr. 1254.	Private. Shaik Esmall,	Severely.
	Detachment 4th Lt.Cavalry.	
F. 19	Farrier. G. Cartwright... ...	Mortally, since dead.
F. 385	Private. Singojeerow	Slightly.
	Public followers.	
	One Commissariat Bullock driver.	Severely.
	Private followess.	
Camp at Kuttingheel 28th September 1857.	Killed one...	.
	Wounded one..	.. Severely.

Sd.H.Adam.
Asst.Surgeon.

No.52. Page No. 2871. Military Consultation of 20-10-1857.

Order, Nol 3630, 15th October 1857

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Cavalry--The employment of--at Nagpore objected to... ...

No.97. Page No. 3219. Military Consultation of 17-11-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 9th November 1857, No. 1372; to the Secretary to Government, Military Dept.

In acknowledging the receipt of Minutes of Consultation (a) No.3865, dated 3rd instant, I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to request you will be good enough to submit to Government that His Excellency would rather that the Squadron of the Hyderabad Contingent Cavalry were not at Nagpore.

Intimating that Lieutenant Colonel Davidson was unable to recall the Squadron of the 2nd Hyderabad Cavalry.

(a) Vide Cons. 3rd November 1857, Nos. 158 & 159.

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No.99.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, 14th November 1857, No. 4054; to the Commissioner of Nagpore.

With reference to your letter dated 23rd October 1857, No. 164, I am directed to inform you that the Commander-in-Chief states that he would rather that the Squadron of the Hyderabad Contingent Cavalry were not at Nagpore.

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Arrangements proposed for strengthening General Whitlock's ee column, approved... ... ...

No.177. Page No.3330. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st November 1857, No. 524, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to request you will be so good as to lay the following arrangement before the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, as the means whereby His Excellency would propose to supply one more Regiment of Native Infantry to the Field Force under Brigadier General Whitlock,--19th Regiment N.I., to be the Regiment to join the Force--30th Regiment N.I. from Cuddapah to take the place of the 19th at Bangalore.

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One of the first Regiments from Burmah (probably 10th) to occupy Cuddapah on arrival, and if Government will sanction the withdrawal of 30th from Cuddapah at once, two Companies of 18th to be sent there from Vellore, until the arrival of the Corps from Burmah.

In the orginal arrangement for the reliefs, 2 Regiments were down for Vizianagrum, this will of course, deprive that Station of one of them.

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No. 178. Page No. 3330. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

Order No. 4213, 24th November 1857.

The Governor in Council approves of the arrangements proposed in the foregoing letter.

The necessary orders will be issued by the Commander-in-Chief for the protection of the Cuddapah Outposts by the Mysore Horse.

Commissary of Ordnance--Brevet Major Barrow to act as--with the... ... ...-

No.175. Page No. 3329. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st November 1857, No.525; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

For the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, I do myself the honor to annex by order of the Commander-in-Chief, a copy of His Excellency's orders with regard to Brigadier General Whitlock's Movements.

The Wing of H.M.'s 74th, the Squadron of 3rd and 5th Light Cavalry and the Detail of Artillery which do not accompany the Brigadier General, have been ordered to remain at, at, or near, Kurnool, until the arrival of the Silladar Horse from Bangalore.

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From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 21st November 1857, No. 2967; to Brigadier General Whitlock, Commanding Field Force.

I am directed by His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to request, that on the receipt of this, you will move on in progress to Kamptee, with the portion of your present Column belonging to the Field Force. You are to proceed with every expedition practicable without over-fatiguing the Troops or Cattle- It is very important that you should reach Kamptee as soon as possible.

At Secunderabad you will drop the 1/2 E. Troop Horse Artillery and pick up whatever Troops belonging to your Force may be remaining at that Station.

Be so good as to report progress as frequently as possible

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Nagpore--Orders issued on the occasion of a victory gained by it, recorded.. ... ...

No. 93. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857. Page No. 3299.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 16th November 1857, No. 1409; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to forward for submission to the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, the accompanying copy of an *order issued by the Officer in Command of the Nagpore Moveable Column on the occasion of the victory gained over the Rebels and the Mutineers of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry on the 27th September 1857.

*Dated 28th September 1857.

By Colonel J. Millar, Commanding Nagpore Moveable Column, Camp Huttengee, Monday, 28th September 1857.

The Commanding Officer congratulates the Officers and Soldiers of the Nagpore Moveable Column on the victory which they gained over the enemy yesterday who numbered, it is believed, about 1,500 altogether, viz., 500 Rank and File of the 52nd Bengal Native Infantry and 1,000 insurgents, matchlock men.

II. This proves what discipline and valour supported by a good cause and the blessing of God can achieve, the enemy must have been at least three times as numerous as our small Force, yet they signally failed in their attempt to interrupt our progress or take any part of the

large amount of Treasure, Baggage and Grain with which our line of march was encumbered, notwithstanding that they were greatly favored by the jungly nature of the Country through which we had to pass.

III. Colonel Millar begs to convey to the Officers and men, his best thanks for the manner in which they performed their arduous duties, he was particularly pleased with the zeal and loyalty displayed by all the Native Troops on this occasion who proved their utter detestation of the Mutinous Bengal Sepoys.

IV. The European Artillerymen are deserving of the highest commendation, and the Commanding Officer begs

Captain Jones will accept himself and convey to his Officers and men his sincere thanks for the manner in which they performed their part in the ~~affia~~ affair.

V. The Commanding Officer has had great pleasure in reporting the above circumstances to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, and he has no doubt that the Services of the Column on this occasion will be duly appreciated by Government.

(A true Copy)

Sd. J. Millar, Colonel,
Commanding Kamptee Moveable Column.

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Arrangements proposed for the Command of the--sanctioned...

No.151. Page No. 3323. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army, 20th November 1857, No. 1432, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

Relative to the formation of a Column for service in Nagpore and beyond the Nerbuddah.

I have had the honor to submit letter from the Secretary to Government of India, Military Department, No. 627, dated 13th instant, to the Commander-in-Chief.

H.M.'s 12th(Royal) Lancers, A. Troop Horse Artillery, B. Company 4th Battalion Foot Artillery.
H.M.'s 43rd Regiment L.I.
The 1/2 E.Troop (Native) Horse Artillery has also been substituted by the F.Troop (Native) of that Arm.

2. A Division for service in the Nagpore Saugor and Nerbuddah Territories having

been formed under orders from Government , prior to the the receipt of this despatch, it remains only to state that the troops as per margin have been added to the strength of that Division, consequent on receipt of the instructions under acknowledgment.

3. The orders of the Government of India, relative to the mode in which the Troops should move upon Nagpove will receive attention.

4. The Commander-in-Chief observes, that it is at present impossible to dispose of the Infantry in two Divisions--perhaps two Brigades of that Arm maybe accomplished.

5. In anticipation of this measure being carried out, I am directed to solicit the sanction of Government to

Her Majesty's 43rd and one or two Regiments of Native Infantry, to be named hereafter, being formed into a second Brigade, and for Brigadier MacDuff being appointed thereto with a Brigade Major.

6. His Excellency further recommends that Lieutenant Colonel Miller be appointed a Brigadier and to command the Artillery at least two Field Officers being required with so large a Force of Artillery.

7. His Excellency also directs me to express hsi recommendation that a Commissary of Ordnance, with a suitable Establishment be appointed to the Division under Brigadier General Whitlock.

8. The annexed memorandum will afford the information asked for in the concluding para. of letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

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Memorandum of Officers nominated to Commands in the Division for service in the Saugor and Nerbuddah Territories.

7 Brigadier General G.C. Whitlock, Madras Infantry to command.

*Brigadier W.H. Miller, Madras Artillery to Command Artillery Brigade.

Brigadier A.W. Lawrence, Madras Cavalry to Command Cavalry Brigade.

*Brigadier J. MacDuff, H.M.'s 74th Highlanders, Brigadier T.D. Carpenter, Madras Infantry. } Bri Infan Brigad

*Pending sanction of Government.

Sd. W.G. Woods, Lieutenant Colonel,
Adjutant General of the Army.

No. 152. Page No. 3323. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

Order, No. 4198, 23rd November 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the arrangements proposed in paras. 5, 6 and 7 of the foregoing letter.

Ordered that the following be despatched.

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No. 153. Page No. 3323. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department,, 23rd November 1857, No. 4199; to the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department.

In connection with my letters of the 17th (a) and and 20th (b) instant, Nos. 4092 and 4155, and with reference to the concluding para. of your communication of the 13th idem, No. 627, I am directed to intimate that the undermentioned Officers have been nominated, in addition to those whose names have been already given, to Commands in the Division for service in the Saugor and Nerbudda Territories.

Brigadier W.H.Miller, Madras Artillery, to Command Artillery Brigade.

Brigadier J.MacDuff, H.M's 74th Highlanders, to Command an Infantry Brigade. ---------

Troops proposed to be added to it on arrival at Secunderabad, sanctioned... ... ...

No.57. Page No. 3286. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 18th November 1857, No. 517; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I am directed by the Commander-in-Chief to request, you will be so good as to obtain from Government sanction to the following.

On arrival of Brigadier General Whitlock's Division at Secunderabad, that the F. Troop (entire) now at that station, be substituted for the 1/2 E. Troop Horse Artillery now with the Brigadier General's Column--also, as soon as arrangements will admit of it, in regard to the march of Head Quarters of 12th Lancers to Secunderabad, that the Detachment of that Regiment now with Brigadier General Whitlock, be increased to the strrength of a Wing.

No.58. Order No. 4153, 20th November 1857.
Sanctioned.

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Moveable Column--A Commissariat Officer with Establishment to do duty with it.

No. 140. Page No. 3319. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

From the Commissary General, 16th November 1857, No. 179; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

Adverting to the appointment of a Brigadier to Command the Nagpore Moveable Column, and the expected addition of European Troops to it, I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to submit for the consideration of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council my opinion, that it is of much importance that an experienced Officer of the Commissariat Department should be attached to the Column, to arrange for the proper supply of the Troops with Provisions and Carriage and for organisation of the Camp Bazars with an efficient establishment to enable him to render correctly the Accounts thereof.

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2. At present there is only a small Detachment of the Kamptee Commissariat attached to the Column consisting og a Native Agent and Conicopolies with an European Non-Commissioned Officer, and the Accounts are rendered to the Officer of this Department at Kamptee. There is however an Officer appointed pro-tempore to superintend the proceedings of these people, but not to render Accounts, or to take on himself the responsibilities attached to the duties of the Department. This does not appear equitable as far as the responsibilities of the executive Commissariat Officer at Kamptee are concerned, for he is responsible at present for arrangements, over which he can have but little control.

3. I applied to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to allow me the services of Lieutenant Hutchison, Deputy Assistant Commissary General who had been ordered to join his Regiment, the 28th N.I. temporarily on service, and they have been accorded to me as will be seen by annexed correspondence.*

*Copy of letter and order thereon, dated 13th November 1857.

4. I have therefore to beg the santhion of Government to appoint an Officer of the Department with such an efficient establishment as may be absolutely requisite to carry on the duties of the Commissariat Department, Bazars &c . with the Nagpore Moveable Column.

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From the Commissary General, Madras, 11th November 1857, No. 3902; to the Adjutant General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

I have the honor to request you will do me the favor to represent to His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, that I consider it very desirable that an experienced Officer of the Commissariat Department should be appointed to the duties of that Department with the Nagpore Moveable Column, especially as it is likely to be increased by the addition to it of European Troops. In consequence however of our Officers of the Commissariat being absent on Sick Certificate, one with Brigadier Whitlock's Moveable Column and one in Bengal, I have no available Officer at present for this duty, and I therefore venture to hope His Excellency will permit me to make use of the services of Lieutenant Hutchison, 28th Regiment N.I.,

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Deputy Assistant Commissary General, part of whose Regiment is I believe serving with the Nagpore Column, and who is thus placed under similar circumstance to Captain Watts, 27th Regiment, Deputy Assistant Commissary General, whose services were accorded to me for Departmental duty in Bengal.

No. 5998.

Submitted the following letter to the Commander-in-Chief, from the Commissary General, Madras, No. 3902, dated 11-11-1857.

Adjutant General's Office
Fort Saint George,
13th November 1857.

States that it is very desirable an experienced Officer of the Department should be appointed to the duties of the Department with the Nagpore Moveable Column, and requests he may be allowed the services of Lieut.Hutchison, 28th Regiment N.I ., temporarily placed for Regimental duty for this purpose.

His Excellency's Order thereon.

The Commander-in-Chief has no objection to the proposed arrangement.

Sd.W.G. Woods,
Lieut-Col.
Adjutant General of the Army.

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No.141. Page No. 3320. Military Consultation of 24-11-1857.

Order No. 4193, 23rd November 1857.

The Governor in Council sanctions the appointment of an Officer of the Commissariat Department with an efficient Establishment for the purpose of carrying on the duties of the Commissariat Department, Bazars, &c. with the Nagpore Moveable Column.

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Ordnance Establishment at--increased, and a Tabular statement shewing the same,,called for... ... ...

No.157. Page No. 3236.Military Consultation of 17-11-1857.

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, 26th October 1857, No. 424, to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to submit to Government that, in reply to an order to the Commissary of Ordnance at Nagpore to keep his Native Establishment complete, he has intimated that he has re-placed all Lascars sick, and on furlough, by entertaining 20 extra Lascars, and that he has also engaged in addition, the following Native Artificers viz.

1	Smith.	1
2	Hammerman.	1
3.	Bellows boy.	1
5/	Filers.	5

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2. In reply I have informed Major Bell, that he has entirely exceeded the scope of my order, which was a mere monition to secure the efficiency of his authorised Establishment, and that it conveyed no authority to engage any extra Establishment.

3. Government are however aware, that the state of that country does necessarily increase the Ordnance duties. The Military Occupation of the Seetabuldee hill ~~wall~~ which is now mounted with Ordnance and in greater numbers than previously fixed, must occasion extra work, and the absence of the Establishment as per margin, withdrawn from the Arsenal to accompany the Moveable Column, is doubtless felt.

1 Sub Conductor. 1 Lance Tindal.
1 Store Serjeant 6 Store Lascars.

Besides the near prospect of a European Regiment being made

dependent for supplies on the Nagpore Arsenal, and probably making some further movements necessary, may lead to extra labour.

4. I am aware that the Arsenal Establishment at Nagpore is the same now as when the European Corps was located at Kamptee, but the amoun of business occasioned by the Irregular Troops, Infantry, Cavalry and Artillery, must have increased the Arsenal duties very considerably, and if more Detachments are sent from the Force than those now formed, I think the duties will be heavy; there are also out Posts from the Force which draw away details from the Department and increase the demands.

5. Under these circumstances, I would propose the following Establishment being authorised as a temporary arrangement for the Nagpore Arsenal, which in the Artificer and Lascar grades is an approximation to the Establishment authorised in Extract Minutes of Consultation, (a) No. 3561 dated 12th October 1857, for the Secunderabad Arsenal. In the meanwhile, with the approval of Government, I shall pass Contingent Bills for the extra Artificers and Lascars already engaged, as I do not wish to risk the efficiency of the Arsenal, or to afford grounds for excuse in case of irregularities.

	At present allowed.	Proposed strength fixed.	Proposed increase.
Commissary of Ordnance	1	1	0
Deputy Assistant Commissary	1	1	0
Conductors (permanent)	1	2	1
"	4	3	0
Sub Conductors	5	5	0
Store Serjeants	4	4	0
Carnatic Ordnance Artificers.	12	12	0
Maistry Smith	0	1	1
Maistry Carpenter	0	1	1
Bellows Boys	3	4	1
Chuclers	1	2	1
Painters	1	1	0
Smiths	1	4	3
Carpenters	3	4	1
Brass founders	0	1	1
Chickledars	3	3	0
Hammermen	3	4	1
Armourers	0	1	1

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	At present allowed.	Proposed strength fixed.	Proposed increase.
Caulkers	1	1	0
Moochie	1	1	0
Brass Smiths 2nd Class	0	1	1
Tinman	0	1	1
Turner	0	1	1
Filers	0	5	5
Syrang	1	2	1
1st Tindals	2	4	2
2nd Tindals	2	4	2
Lascars	100	130	30
Puckally	0	2	2
Sweepers	0	1	1
Toty	1	1	0
Allowance for Stationery and Writer... Rupees....	96	150	54

Referred for the consideration and report of the Military Auditor General.

2nd November 1857.

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No. 158. Page No. 3237. Military Consultation of 17-11-1857.

Report of the Military Auditor General, 9th November 1857, A.

The Military Auditor General, has the honor to return the letter, as per margin, referred for his report by order of Government of the 2nd instant, and to state that should in the opinion of Government, the alleged increase of duty at the Arsenal at Nagpore, require an augmentation of Establishment to the extent recommended by the Inspector General; this Officer may be instructed to forward a Tabular Statement of the increase, in the prescribed form, for transmission to the Government of India.

From the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines, dated 26th October 1857, No. 424.

2. In the mean time His Lordship in Council may perhaps, be pleased to sanction such increase as may be deemed necessary, as a temporary arrangement, with reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 12th October 1857, No. 3561, authorizing for the Secunderabad Arsenal an increase, to which the one now proposed for Nagpore, is said to be an approximation, in the Artificer and Lascar grades.

3. Government may also be pleased to permit the Inspector General to pass Contingent Bills for the payment of the extra Artificers and Lascars, who seem to have been entertained by the Commissary of Ordnance at Nagpore without due authority.

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4. The extra expense which will be caused by the augmentation of Establishment recommended will amount to Rs.554-5-4 per mensem, as shewn in the margin.

		Rs.	A.	P.
1 Conductor (permanent)		30	0	0
1 Maistry Smith		14	0	0
1 do. Carpenter		14	0	0
1 Bellows Boy		2	8	7
1 Chuckler		7	9	9
3 Smiths	10-2-4	30	7	0
1 Carpenter		10	2	4
1 Brass Founder		21	0	0
1 Hammerman		7	9	9
1 Armourer		10	2	4
1 Brass Smith 2nd Class		10	0	0
1 Tinman		8	14	0
1 Turner		12	10	11
5 Filers	10-2-4	50	11	8
1 Syrang		23	2	8
2 First Tindals	8-12-0	17	8	0
2 Second do.	7--0-0	14	0	0
30 Lascars	6--5-4	190	0	0
2 Puckallies	11-3-2	22	6	4
1 Sweeper		3	8	0
Allowance for Stationery and Writer		54	0	0
	Rupees...	..554	5	4

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Order No. 4083, 17th November 1857.

1. The Governor in Council sanctions, as a temporary arrangement, the increase to the Ordnance Establishment

1 Conductor (permanent.)	1 Tinman.
1 Maistry Smith	1 Turner
1 do. Carpenter	5 Filers
1 Bellows Boy	1 Syrang.
1 Chuckler	2 First Tindals.
1 Smiths	2 Second do.
3 Carpenter	30 Lascars.
1 Brass Founder.	2 Puckallies.
1 Hammerman.	1 Sweeper.
1 Armourer.	Allowance for
1 Brass Smith 2nd Class.	Stationery & writer.

at Nagpore recommended in the foregoing letter, and authorises the Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines passing Contingent Bills for the payment of extra Artificers and Lascars already engaged, who will be discontinued from the date on which the temporary additional Establishment above sanctioned is maintained.

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2. The Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines is requested to forward a Tabular Statement of the above increase in the prescribed form, for transmission to the Government of India.

1st Regiment Native Infantry,,to be moved to Kamptee...

No.132. Page No. 3059.Military Consultation of 3-11-1857.

From the Commissioner of Nagpore, 22nd October 1857, No. 161; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

With reference to my letter, No. 123, dated the 1st ultimo, and your reply No. 3255, dated the 19th idem, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to inform me, as the healthy season is now setting in, when the 5th or any other Regiment of Native Infantry will be moved to Kamptee.

No.133. Page No. 3059.Military Consultation of 3rdNov.1857.

From the Adjutant General of the Army 31st October, 1857, No. 1322; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from Minutes of Consultation dated 24th October No. 3740.

Communicating letter from the Commissioner at Nagpore dated 6th October No.152, transmitting Telegram from the Government of India and a communication to the Officer Commanding the Hyderabad Contingent, regarding the movement of Major Orr's Force towards the Nerbudda.

In reply I am directed to state, for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, that the

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arrangement for moving on a Regiment of Native Infantry from Secunderabad to Hoosingabad was put a stop to, on information being received from the Bombay Government that orders had been given for the advance to Hoosingabad of Major Orr's Column.

The advance of the above Column being now countermanded by the Government of India, Lieutenant General Sir P. Grant strongly recommends, that the first arrangement may be carried out and a Corps be pushed on to Kamptee from Secunderabad, re-placing it, as before decided on, from Kurnool.

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No.134,Page No.3059, Military Consultation of 3-11-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 2-11-1857, No.477; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In reference to Extract Minutes of Consultation, Nos. 3690 of 20th October (a) and 3740 of 24th idem, (b) prohibiting the Hyderabad Troops from crossing the Nerbudda, the Commander-in-Chief desires me to say, that he considers, looking at the extent of the Service which it is desirable, should be undertaken at once, that the Nagpore Force is much too weak in Infantry, and therefore His Excellency recommends, that the 1st Regiment N.I. may now be moved on, as formerly intended to Kamptee from Secunderabad, and re-placed at the latter Station by the 49th N.I. from Kurnool, which will be sufficiently cared for, by the proximity of Brigadier Whitlock's Column, until another Regiment can be sent to garrison it.

No.135. Page No. 3059.Military Consultation of 3-11-1857.

~~From-t~~ Order No. 3852, 3rd November 1857

The Governor in Council approves of the movements of the 1st Native Infantry to Kamptee and of the 49th to Secunderabad as proposed in the above letter from the Quarter Master General.

Ordered that the following letter be despatched.

No.135. Military Consultat on of 3-11-1857.Page No.3059.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, dated 3rd November 1857, No. 3853; to the Commissioner Nagpore.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter noted in the margin, and to inform you that the 1st Regiment N.I. has been ordered to proceed to Kamptee.

Dated 22nd October 1857, No.161.

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2nd Madras Light Cavalry promised to be relieved at Sholapore, by a Bombay Regiment... ... ...

No.150. Page No.3063. Military Consultation of 3-11-1857.

From the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Bombay 9th October 1857, No.5692; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department, Fort Saint George.

I am directed to intimate for the information of the Government of Fort Saint George, that the 3rd Regiment Bombay Native Cavalry having returned from the Persian Gulf- has been directed to move on Sholapore, where it will relieve the 2nd Madras Cavalry of which one Squadron has already been called to Hyderabad; and it is understood that the whole Regiment is expected to follow in the same direction.

No.151. Order No. 3861, 3rd November 1857.

Communicated to the Commander-in-Chief.

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Juggiapettah--The result of an attack made upon this Town by--reported--recorded.,.. ....

No. 211. Page No. 3250. Military Consultation of 17-11-1857.

Extract Mins. of Cons. Judicial Department.

Communicating a report of the Acting Magistrate at Masulipatam of an attack made on the town of Juggiapettah by Rohillas on the 7th November 1857, of loss on the side of the Native Guard, and of the arrangements made.	Here enter 16th November 1857, No. 1485.

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Operations at--reported... ... ...

No.62. Page No. 3207. Military Consultation of 17-11-1857.

From the Quarter Master General of the Army, 2nd November 1857, No. 484-1/2. to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I do myself the honor, by order of the Commander-in-Chief, to foward for the information of Government, copies, of correspondence received from the Officer Commanding Northern Division, on the subject of the operations at Sumbulpore, by a party of the 40th Regiment M.N.I.--His Excellency desires me to add, that he approves of the two Mountain Train Guns, applied for, being sent. Intelligence has this day been received, that they left Cuttack on the 10th October 1857.

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Fr8m the Officer Commanding Northern Division, Waltair, 19th October 1857, No.411, to the Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

In continuation of my letter, No. 399, dated 9th instant, I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the subjoined copies of letters received from the Officer Commanding 40th Regiment N.I. Cuttack, relative to the operations of the Detachment of that Corps at Sumbulpore.

From the Officer Commanding 40th Regiment N.I., Cuttack, 10th October 1857, to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General Northern Division, Waltair.

I deem it my duty to forward without delay, a copy of a note, just (4-30 p.m.) received from Captain Hawkins, Commanding the Detachment of the 40th Regiment N.I. at Sumbulpore.

2. I have called upon him to forward immediately an Official Report of all that occurred.

3. Mr. Cockburn, the Commissioner here has just favored me with the perusal of a copy of a letter sent by Captain Leigh, the Assistant Commissioner at Sumbulpore,

to his (captain Leigh's) immediate superior in that Commission, (Chota Nagpore) reporting the above circumstance, the only thing in which it differs from Captain Hawkins' account is, that he does not mention the perambulation of the place and says that the Subadar reported to him that there were 1,000 or 1,200 men. He also states that being anxious to prevent bloodshed he parted with the men, as they agreed to parley on a promise of safety.

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From Captain Hawkins, Sumbulpore, 7th October 1857, to the Officer Commanding 40th Regiment N.I., Cuttack.

I got upset writing to you yesterday, and passed a bad night, I write these few lines to infomm you that has occurred to-day at 8-30 a.m., the whole of Sumbulpore was in an uproar making every where; Sunder Saee and Oodunt Saee walked round the Bunna Rajah Hill along side the river, passed the Jail to the bridge, where they stopped with some 300 jungle coves with lighted mathlocks and Bows and Arrows. I had such a head and so weak, I could not stand a Minute. The men turned out very sharp, had the Magazine into the house like lightning, then our men went first--Ramghurries after--some 70 men--Hart looking after all, Nepean about one o'clôck came in with fever, latter from the heat--Leigh had a parley

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with a man, explained things, then Sunder Saee and Oodunt Saee came to the front, themselves down at his feet, saying the men he had with him were to protect his head, as a reward had been offered for him and brother, and having come in, they meant nothing, and no harm to the Fort or any one, but asked for their remittance of punishment--Leigh said he could not treat with either, as long as any armed men or others with him--the sun was dreadfully hot--all dispersed at one.

Cuttack, 12th October 1857.

I have this morning received letters from Lieutenant Hart, and Ensign Nepean at Sumbulpore giving a more detailed account of what occurred there on the 7th, their notes are dated the 8th, Captain Hawkins had been, and still was very ill of fever.

From their accounts it does not appear that the rebels perambulated the place as Captain Hawkin's note led me to suppose, but at 8½ a.m., notice was brought that the had entered the town; measures were immediately taken to put things in a state of preparedness as described by Captain Hawkins, and Captain Leigh proceeded to the city with 25 men, partly 40th, and partly Ramghurries; in the

meantime the remander of the two Detachments were arranged so as to afford resistance to the enemy, and support to each other; in this way they waited for a considerable time in suspense, when a note was received from Captain Leigh to send 50 more men, half from each Detachment. Then another very long period of suspense elapsed, when Captain Leigh was seen returning quietly with an Umbrella over his head, and the Ramghur Horse proceeding at a walk to their lines, it was then assumed that all had been settled, some how or other quietly.

The number given by Captain Hawkins (300) seems by all accounts to have been wrong, for those who saw them state that there were certainly more than 2,000.

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Captain Leigh's account of what passed, is in the words of Lieutenant Hart as follows--"On arrival he found the brothers at a place called "the Mohun Durwaza" with about 300 menm, mostly with matchlocks round them, byt there were some 12 or 1,500 just behind, he sent in a message to ask what they were there for, they stated in reply, that they meant no harm, and desired no fighting, and never would fire, unless fired upon, (their acts of the morning certainly bore out their words) as they had said before in reply to Leigh's chit, they merely desired a remission of their imprisonment, of which they were somewhat tired / after 16 years' trial, and that the body of men assembled, was merely to protect them, should force be used to attempt to seize their bodies, and that if Leigh guaranteed their safety, they would give themselves up.

"They ~~cam~~ then came to the front and by the Native Officer of the Ramghur Battalion, and threw themselves at Leigh's feet, who told them to disperse their men, stay where he told them, and he would represent all to Government and so the matter stands at present."

Lieutenant Hart adds "the Bomera Raja was here with some 200 men, obstensibly on our side, but what his intentions may have been, is questionable."

Captain Leigh has had the management of the whole affair, and seems to think that temporizing is at present, the best plan, as in the event of violence being resorted to, he considers that the whole country would come down upon them, and cut them off from the succour which they are expecting.

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The ready zeal and steadiness of the men both of the 40th, and Ramghur Battalion, are I am happy to say, spoken of with great praise; they were anxious to attack, and confident of success, if allowed to do so, and I sincerely hope and trust that our men will, should occasion offer, keep up the good character of the Madras Army, which I am delighted to see is being so ell maintained by these Regiments now employed on the Bengal side.

The Native Deputy Commissioner Roof Sing, seems to be strongly suspected of being inclined towards the Rebels, and it is certainly only by supposing treachery some where, that we can satisfactorily account for the want of information, which allowed those men to come so close to the place, and get supplies as they seem to have done, without the cognizance of Captain Leigh./ I have &c. Sd.J.Bates.

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Cuttack,
14th October 1857.

I am very happy to say that things look better at Sumbulpoor than I had expected they would--Mr. Cockburn has received a letter this morning from Captain Leigh, in which he says that he has allowed Oodunt Saee to go to his village, about 18 miles away to dismiss his followers and that he has detained Sunder Saee at Sumbulpoor, near the Detachment, both brothers have sworn, patiently to abide the decision of Government.

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It appears from Captain Leigh's note, that they have been in confinement for 18 years, and their prayer is, as I have before mentioned, for a remission of the remainder of the sentence.

I trust that they will keep good faith, which Captain Leigh seems to expect they will, and then all will soon settle down in that District.

Your's &c.

Sd. J. Bates.

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Cuttack, 15th October 1857

I have received a note from Sumbulpoor dated 10th from which it appears that all is going on so far quiet-- It appears that Sunder Saee was near the Detachment with some 20 followe s and Oodunt Saee had left with a view it was said, of dismissiong the rest of the people-- But Captain Leigh does not seem to feel very confident, and has sent Mrs. Leigh down here--She left on the morning of the 10th, and has arrived to-day, a few hours after the Tappal of that date.

Your's &C.

Sd.) J. Bates.

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From the Officer Commanding Northern Division, Waltair, 22nd October 1857, No. 418; to the Quarter Master General of the Army, Fort Saint George.

In continuation of my letter No. 411, dated 19th instant, I have the honor to forward for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief, the subjoined copies of letters received from the Officer Commanding Cuttack, relative to the operations of the Detachment of the 40th Regiment Native Infantry at Sumbulpoor.

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From the Officer Commanding Cuttack, 17th October 1857, No.224, to the Deputy Assistant Quarter Master General Northern Division, Waltair.

In forwarding the enclosed copies of letters from the Commissioner of Cuttack, the Senior Assistant Commissioner Sumbulpoor, and Captain Hawkins, Commanding Detachment 40th Madras Native Infantry Sumbulpoor, I have the honor to report, for the information of the Major General Commanding the Northern Divison, that I have directed a Detachment of Artillery, strength as per *margin, with two Mountain train Howitzers to be held in readiness to proceed on service to Sumbulpoor.

*1 2nd Lieutenant, 1 Havildar., 7 Privates., 2 Gun Lascars, 2 Artificers, 1 Pheastic.

A Company of the 40th Regiment M.N.I. will accompany the Guns to Sumbulpoor.

From the Superintendent Tributary Mahals, Centre Division, Cuttack, 16th October 1857, No.188; to the Officer Commanding 40th Regiment M.N.I. Cuttack.

I have the honor to annex for your information, copy of a letter, No.79, dated the 8th instant, received this morning from Captain Leigh, senior Assistant Commissioner Sumbulpoor, requesting that a Detachment of Artillery may be sent up to that place with 2 Light Mountain Howitzers.

2. Considering the present very uncertain state of affairs at Sumbulpoor, the fact that it has lately been entered by a very large body of armed men under 2 leaders Soorunder Saee and Oodunta Saee, who claims to the Raj,

and have lately escaped from the Jail in which they had been confined; to the circumstance of their armed body being still close at hand, and ready to oppose the Government in the event of the petition for pardon presented by the leaders in question being refused--a contingency by no means improbable, when the circumstances under which it was preferred are borne in mind, it appears to me desirable that the request should if possible be complied with, as the measure would ~~ea~~ undoubtedly tend to greatly strengthen the Force at Sumbulpoor, whether for defence or offensive operations in the event of this being necessary, besides which, the very presence of the Guns would have an excellent effect on the minds of the people in general, who appear to be inclined to sympathize with, and countenance the opposite party.

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From the Senior Assistant Commissioner Sumbulpoor, 8th October 1857, No.79, No.79, to the Superintendent Tributary Mahals, Cuttack.

I have the honor to request that you will do me the favor, if you see no objection, to detach 2 light Mountain Howitzers, with a party of Artillery men to this station, as I think that in the present somewhat uncertain state of affairs in this District, and the little dependence which can be placed in the fidelity of the Zemindars, it is most desirable that this post should be strengthened, and indeed I am of opinion, that it should never be left without Guns.

I have nothing particular to report to-day, except that Soorunder Saee came to me this morning, when I again impressed upon him, that until he dispersed all his followers, I could listen to no request he might wish to make, some have I believe left, and the remainder he has promised to send off to-day.

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From the Officer Commanding Detachment 40th Regiment, N.I. Field Service, Sumbulpoor, 13th October 1857, No.25; to the Adjutant ~~50~~ 40th Regiment N.I., Cuttack.

In reply to your letter No. 162, I beg to enclose copies of 2 letters from the senior Assistant Commissioner of Sumbulpoor to the Commissioner of Chota Nagpore, which will I trust afford the Officer Commanding the Regiment the information he has demanded.

I beg also to bring to the notice of the Commanding Officer, that I was incapacitated by the prevailing fever, from taking any active part in the proceedings of that day--Lieutenant Hard took charge of the Detachment, and placed himself under the directions of the Assistant Commissioner.

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From the Senior Assistant Commissioner Sumbulpoor, 7th October 1857, No.53, to the Officiating Commissioner Chota Nagpore.

I have the honor to report that this morning about 8 o'Clock the alarm was given, that Soorunder Saee had e entered the city with a force of armed men--I took a party of Sepoys and proceeded into the City and found that it was the case--Being unwilling to cause bloodshed, I sent to ask their intentions, and after some parleying, Soorunder Saee and Oodunt Saee consented to come to me, if I would guarantee their safety, which I did--They then came to me, and fell at my feet and said, that they had no intention

~~of creatinany~~ of creating any disturbance, but that they only sought a remittance of the remainder of their term of imprisonment--I told them that I could listen to no request of that kind, until they dispersed their followers, which they promised to do--If they do this, I propose to-morrow to take down their statements, or receive any petition they may wish to forward to you.

The Subadar whom I sent to bring them to me says, that he should imagine they had ~~a~~ about 1,000 or 1,200 armed men with them.

From the Senior Assistant Commissioner Sumbulpoor, 10th October 1857,No.57, to the Officiating Commissioner Chota Nagpore.

I have the honor to report that, in obedience to my orders, Oodunt Saee has left this Station with all the men who entered the Town of Sumbulpoor on the 7th instant--He has promised to dismiss them to their respective districts--I have sent out some men to ascertain if he has gone clear off, and that he is not staying any where near.

2. Soorunder Saee, I have ordered to remain here for the present--He has only about 20 men with him.

3. The people of the town were very naturally much alarmed at what has occurred here, and many went away, but I am happy to say, that they are now beginning to return again, and I am in hopes, that no further disturbance or excitement may occur here.

No.63. Order No. 4034, 13-11-1857. Recorded.

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